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# Ancient Geography,

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#### PART I.

His eye might here command wherever stood City of old, or modern fame, the seat Of mightiest empire; from the destin'd walls Of CAMBALU, seat of Cathaian Khan, And SAMARCHAND by Oxus, Temir's throne, By AAGRA and LAHOR of Great Mogul, Down to the GOLDEN CHERSONESE—And utmost Indian Isle TRAPOBANA.

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## TRANSLATOR'S PREFACE.

HE modes of Time and Place mingle so intimately with our perceptions of events, that the recording and descriptive parts of Chronology and Geography have been called by an analogous metaphor the EYES of HISTORY. Without their illustration, the historic Muse, that "mistress of life, and mesenger of antiquity," were degraded into a gossip; for the matter reported by her would be but as

"A woman's story at a winter's fire, "Authoriz'd by her grandame."—

Why this illustration, which so great a name as D'Anville has furnished to ancient history, should have been so long withheld from the mere English reader, it is now of no great importance to discover. It is sufficient to remark that, with the assistance of this translation, the acquisition of the French language will no longer be previously necessary to that more useful part of education. The work published by Mr. Philip Morant, in 1742, on the plan of Du Fresnoy's Method of Studying Geography, being considered as too analytic and abrupt to make much impression on the memory: besides, his maps being on the authority of Celarius, are consequently obnoxious to the censure which our author has passed on the works of that laborious compiler.

It is well known that the French geographers, like those of Greece and Rome, take the liberty of writing the names of countries, rivers, and places, in a manner different from the usage of the natives of the respective countries. I his practice I have endeavoured to correct in the translation, by observing the mode of spelling of modern names in Spain, Italy, Germany, and the British isles, of an Atlas published by Metlirs. Sayer and Benniet

of Fleet Street. But in France, and in the rest of the world, I have implicitly followed that of my author. In France this scrupulosity is observed for an obvious reason, and in countries more remote, because he seems there remarkably attentive to chastise the vulgar usage to genuine orthography. It is a subject of complaint with the compilers of geographic manuals and gazetteers, that the French writers express towns of every rank by the generic denomination of Ville. From this cause of embarrassment I am in a great degree exempt; as the ancient places noted in the following work are for the most part selected for their eminence, and therefore properly styled Cities. Other geographical terms however are not without ambiguity. Marais, for example, is used sometimes for a fen, and sometimes for a lake, according to the interpretation of the Latin term Palus, which feems properly to denote a moor, or tract of low grounds covered with water, though applied to the sea of Asow, the greatest gulf of the Euxine. Lagune, too, the author uses to signify as well a lake that has communication with the sea, as one that has not: thus he calls the Tritonis Palus a lagune. The first of these I have rendered discretionally; and the second, though more precisely appropriated to the Venetian inlets, I have used specially to denote a piece of water of their description.

The maps that accompany this English edition, though carefully reduced from the Parisian Atlas in Imperial solio, cannot be expected to contain all that is comprehended in that original and truly magnificent work. In the solicitude to reconcile cheapness with utility, it was found expedient to avoid all unneceffery repetitions. Thus in the general map of the world known to the ancients, and in the two maps of the Roman Empire, the countries only that do not re-appear in particular maps, are minutely detailed. And the inferior compartments that are observed in those of Gaul and Asia, in the Paris edition, are here omitted, to make room for more matter in the bodies of these maps. But my author having observed, as his reason for giving a particular map of Gaul, that the subject is particularly interesting to a Frenchman, I have superinduced one of Roman Britain, from the learned John Horsely, M. A. F. R. S. supposing this to be not less interesting to the posterity of the conquerors of this province of the empire. To gratify the ingenious curiofity of youth, for whose use this English edition is principally designed, I have annexed etymologies of the Greek names that are not sufficiently interpreted in the text; and, for the general illustration of the work, I have inserted such annotations as may

be of use to some readers of every age. Those marked with the

initial D. are by the author.

The Indices being an important part of a work of this nature, the alteration made in the form of them requires a particular explanation. Of these there are four in the original; the first being intitled "A Nomenclature, serving as a Supplement to what is inserted in the body of the work," and containing the names of those places which are found in the folio maps exclusively, with their modern names; and references to the chapter of the work that treats of the country comprising them. The second is intitled "A Table composed of the Names of Countries." The third is of "Chief Seas;" and the fourth, called Table du Local en detail, comprises the names contained as well in the Nomenclature, and distinguished by the letter N, as those contained in the text, and which refer to the volume and page; but without the modern names. These masses I have endeavoured to render less complicated by digesting them into three. The first ' table will be found to contain the names of countries, the fecond those of the chief seas, and the third the names in the folio maps distinguished by an Italic character, with the same references as the original; together with the names contained in the body of the work. And to render this index a complete dictionary of ancient geography, I have inserted the modern names of this class also. To this edition moreover is prefixed a table of itinerary measures reduced into English yards and decimal parts. This will be useful to the English reader; until his country, in concert with other nations, shall establish a common scale of measures on an eternal and universal principle.

IT being proper that the student of ancient geography should have distinct ideas of the ancient inhabitants of Europe, I shall subjoin a brief account of the subject, chiefly, but not implicitly, from Pinkerton, a name not to be mentioned but with the respect due to an illustrator of truth that has long been enveloped in a mist of error.

It is premised then that all Europe, from the Baltic Sea to the Euxine, was originally inhabited by a race of savages known by the name of CELTS, or GAEL. These were subdivided into two races; the Cimbri, Cymbri, or Cimmerii, extending along the eastern frontier of the vast space from the Cymbrian Chersonese to the Cimmerian Bosphorus; and the Gaël, or Celts proper, who occupied the countries on this side of the Rhine and the Alps. Mr. Pinkerton doubts that those little

mountainous corners called Greece and Italy, were ever pofsessed by either the Cymbri or the Gzel; for that the extensive plains of Germanyand Gaul, affording more ample scope to a pastoral and erratic people, must have been the principal seat of what little population was then in Europe. But, whatever reluctance I feel in differing on such a subject from so erudite and sagacious an antiquarian, I cannot but think there are strong evidences that the Latin is fundamentally a Cekic speech; for words signifying things antecedent to human improvement, as the elements of nature, &c. are the same in the Latin and in the Celtic dialects now spoken in the northern and western extremities of this island. The language of ancient Rome confessedly possesses many Gothic words, besides a numerous nomenclature of that particular dialect of the Gothic called Greek; but had it not been radically a Celtic tongue, is it at all probable that it would have so far prevailed in Celtic countries, as is evident that it has done from the modern state of the languages of these countries? The Romans only reduced and governed their provinces: they did not depopulate and re-people them: and what effect could fuch a conquest have upon the indigenous speech, seeing that Spain, though successively overrun by Visigoths and Arabs, who were respectively more numerous than the Romans could be supposed to have been, still possesses a language that is only a military or ruftic Latin?

About 2160 years before the Christian æra, the Scythian nomades from the north of Persia passed the river Araxes and Mount Caucasus, and settled round the shores of the Euxine. This was the first appearance in Europe of our ancestors, who in subsequent ages, and in distant countries, severally assumed the general names of GETES, GOTHS, and GERMANS, probably from their successful valour; of ALEMANS, or All-men, either from a confederacy of tribes, or to express emphatically their virility; and of FRANCS or Freemen, to distinguish themselves from the saves whom they vanquished. About 360 years after this period they began to settle Thrace, Illyricum, Greece, and Afia Minor, under many denominations; and in 300 years, or 1500 before Christ, they had completed the settlement of these countries. They peopled Greece under the name of IRAAEFOL or Pelasgi. Our immediate ancestors then, the Jutes, Angles, and Saxons, though therteen hundred miles diftant from thefer being of the fame race, must have had an homogeneal speech; and it is curious to observe the analogy preferred in two such distant languages, in depende of the influence

of time and place; and the extremely diffimilar accidents that each must have encountered in its progress from elementary, rudeness to refinement. This analogy however, at the close of the eighteenth century, has betrayed classical and philological pedants; into the puerile absurdity of deriving pure English words, such as Man, Father, Mathen, Fire, Moon, Earth, Water, &c. &c. from Greek fountains; never thinking that these, with their correspondent terms in the Greek, should be referred to a common origin.

The Seythians gradually advancing westward, and driving the Celts before them, had peopled all Germany and Scandinavia, Paimonia and Noricum, and arrived at the Rhine and Alps about 500 years before the Christian zera. In the consulship of Metellus and Carbo happened the famous irruption of the Cimbri, and Teutones or Germans, which threatened the extinction of the Roman republic. These Cimbri, the inhabitants of Jutland and Denmark, Mr. Pinkerton takes to have been the original Celtic natives of that peninsula, then expelled for the first time by the Scandinavian Goths, whose posterity still occupy it. But I am rather inclined to the opinion of the learned translator of Mallet, in believing them Germans, whose ancestors had expelled the original Celts some ages before: hecause, had they been Celts, it is not probable that they would have affociated: with the Teutones, the hereditary and implacable enemies of the Celtic name; nor would they have obtained a free passage through Germany to invade Gaul and Italy.

But there are two other genera or races of men in Europe, though little distinguished by emigration or conquest. The

<sup>&</sup>quot;It may be confidently afferted that no person can thoroughly under"stand the English language who does not trace it up to the Greek:—thus,
"for instance, every one knows the meaning of the following words, being
part of a lady's dress, viz. her cap, bandkerchief, apron, ruffles, lace,
"gown, and saque; or the following, being part of the furniture of her
"work-basket, rapper, filk, thread, seisfars, needies, pins:—thus every one
knows the meaning of these expressions, the deuce take it; such a thing is.

spick and span news:—every one knows the meaning of these words, bridle,
faddle, stirrup, whip, boots, spurs, and journey; but does every one know
the derivation of those words, that all and each of them are Greek?"

<sup>&</sup>quot;But there are words in our language that continue to wear so uncouth an appearance, as would require more than an Oedipus to develope and discontangle them from their present anigmatical disguises. Thus the expressions hot-cockles, scratch-cradle, link-boy, beggle-boe, bast-gost, bon- mot, kick-shaws, Crutthed-friars, and innumerable others, that can only be explained by their etymology; every one of which is Greek. (Le-mon's English Stymologics, Presace.)

first of these, called by the ancients sarmatz, are supposed to have been the original possessor of South-west Tartary; but who expelled by the Tartars about 1000 years A. C. have occupied all Siberia, Russia, Poland, and a territory between the Save and the Danube. These speak the Sclavonian, a language as radically different from all the dialects of the Gothic as the Celtic is. The second, and last in the order here adopted, is that of the IBERI, an African race, who, invading Spain before the time of history, subdued its Celtic natives, and from some districts exterminated them. Part of the Iberian language remains

in the Gascunian, or Basque, and Mauretanic.

To return to the subject of the Goths and their progress. We see that, not long before the time of Cæsar, the Rhine proving too feeble a barrier to restrain these warlike nations, they had occupied the modern countries of Alface, Lorrain, and Flanders, under the general denomination of GERMANS. But, with due submission to his great authority, I think Pinkerton presumes too much, in affirming that all the Belgæ of Gaul were Germans. That the Belgians were a mixed people, may be inferred from Cæfar; and from Tacitus, who says explicitly, that the "Treverians and Nervians (nations inhabiting Belgic Gaul) passionately aspired to the reputation of being descended from the Germans, fince by the glory of this original they would escape all imputation of resembling the Gauls in person and esseminacy:" and from the anecdote recorded by Suetonius of Caligula; that he caused certain Gauls to be taught the German language, by way of qualifying them to personate captives in his theatrical triumph.

About 300 years before our zera, the island of Britain was peopled with Gauls from the neighbouring continent, in consequence of the Scythian pressure on the east. We find among these a powerful people occupying a considerable section of the island, and even settling in Ireland, under the name of Belgæ; doubtless of the same race, whatever it were, with the people of the same name on the continent. And Mr. Pinkerton, assuming as a postulate that the Belgæ were Germans, concludes that the soundation of the modern English language was antecedent to the arrival of the Saxons, and that it should be called Anglo-Belgic, instead of Anglo-Saxon. About the same period, this author dates the arrival in North Britain of the PICKS, a nation of Scandinavian Goths from Norway; and thus satisfactorily accounts for the modern Scotish being a dialect of the same language with our own. He shews too that they were the

fame people with the Peukini, towards the mouth of the Danube; and that what we call the Highlanders, were a colony of Belgic Irish, under the name DALRIADS; who by long residence in Ireland had adopted the Gaëlic language and manners of the more numerous natives. He derives withal the name of scot from Scyth or Scythian, in allusion to the Piks\*.

THE progress of the Goths after the Christian æra belongs strictly to the geography of the middle ages. But that I may not interrupt the continuity of the series, I shall give the principal events of it here.

A. D. 250. the Getæ, or parental Goths, passed the Tyras or Dneister; and, after ravaging the Dacia of Trajan, passed the Danube into Thrace. About the year 260 the Causi, Cherusci, and Catti, with many smaller nations, forming a great league under the general name of Francs, conquered Gaul. In the beginning of the sistence of the Ostrogoths or eastern Getæ, Langobards, and other Suevian nations, seized upon Italy; and the Visigoths or Western Getæ, and Vandals, upon Spain. But the numbers of these nations respectively being inconsiderable, when compared with the inhabitants of the several countries that they conquered, the language and manners of the vanquished have in a great degree prevailed, as in all similar cases they have ever done.

In the year 449 the Jutes, the principal nation of the Cimbrian Chersonese, arrived in Britain; soon after them came the Saxons; and the Angles last of all. These, combined, reduced their compatriots the Belgæ (if such they were) to a servile condition; they being the Villani and Coloni of the Doomsday Book, according to Pinkerton. However this be, it is certain that they cut to pieces all the remaining inhabitants between the Tweed, the Severn, and the boundary of Cornwall; and, by substituting their own language for the British, imposed the last and most awful memorial of conquest and desolation. In the mountains of Wales, as we call it, it is well known that the

The reader will perceive that this account of the Piks and Scots contravenes in some degree the notes extracted from the Macphersons, to illustrate the subject. The truth is, that the sheets containing them were printed off before the expediency of this preliminary exposition suggested itself. But, as most controversy promotes the cause of truth, it is hoped that by this apparent contradiction the student will be induced to consult the principal autions here cited, if he be not already acquainted with them; having in mind that whatever is worth considering, is worth investigating; for suspense is an uneasy state, but the mind reposes with considerice in the certainty of Truth.

Celts, of rather a fragment of that division of them called Cymbri, still retain with their ancient manners, their language, which they call Cymraies; denominating the English nation Sasson, or Saxon; and its language Sasson. The face of nature in Cornwall, more favourable to commerce and communication of every kind than that of Wales, afforded entrance to the English language, which, after thirteen ages of gradual progress, has at length prevailed, almost to the extinction of the native tongue. Fugitives from the southern shores of Britain sound an asylum on the opposite coast of the continent; calling their colony by the name of the island which they had abandoned. And the posterity of these Bretons are still distinguished from their mixed neighbours as well by originality of language as by characteristic manners.

The next remarkable expedition of the Goths was from Nor-way, under Rollo; who, to escape the tyranny of Harold Har-sagre, the king, embarked with his followers; and after making an unsuccessful attempt on England, invaded Neustria, as it was then called, ravaged the north of France, besieged Paris, and, after various success, finally established himself in the dukedom of Normandie, or the country of Northern-Men, having his possession ratified by treaty in the year 912. These Normans were Piks, according to Pinkerton; who thus accounts for the name

of Pikardie, which was one of their conquests.

But the oppression of Harold Harfagre was productive of other essential than wars and conquests. In the year 874, a colony under the conduct of a hero named Ingulph, braving the utmost rigour of the elements, settled in the uninhabited and vulcanic island of Iceland; and thereby exhibited an example the most admirable upon record of what human genius, courage, and perseverance, can achieve. For, in a land scarcely habitable through the eternal consist between Fire and Ice, they digested a wise and equal government; and became not more distinguished for an implacable enmity to tyrants, than for the successful cultivation of every species of polite literature.

Having thus conducted our ancestors from their primitive seats to their final establishments in the west, it remains for me to give some intimation of the erroneous opinions on the subject

that have hitherto been adopted by the learned.

The dreams of Jornandes, and other authors of his benighted age, that find in Scandinavia the hive of the Gothic nations, have been for some time so fully exploded as to render surther resultation inept. But we have not been without dreamers in the

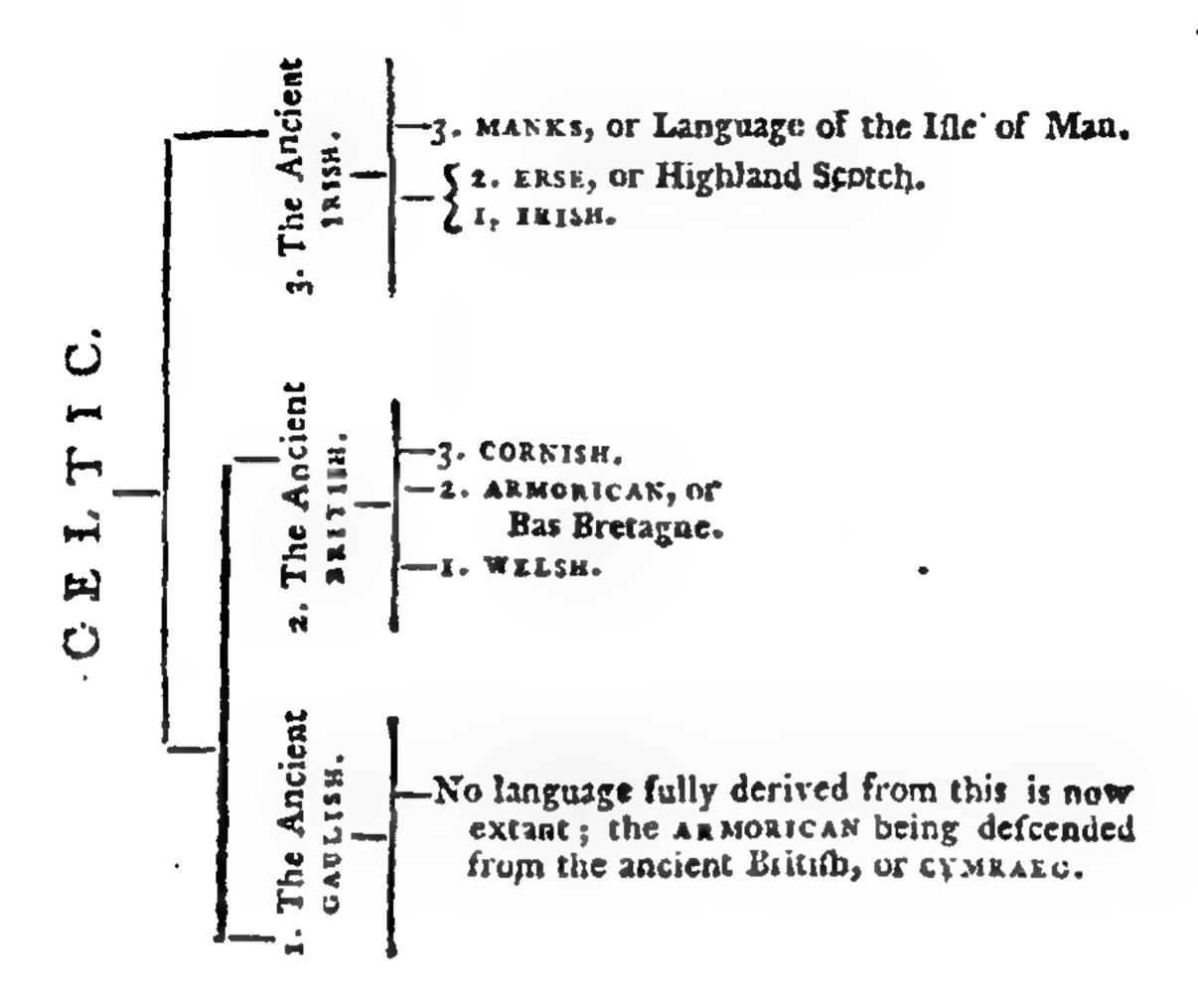
the noon of the eighteenth century. Peloutier, a French writer, and the first I believe who treated the matter in a modern language, takes it for granted that there were but two original races in Europe, celts and sarmatians. The ancient Germans, the memory of whose manners Tacitus has immortalized, he mistakes for the first; and the Franks, who communicated their name to his country, for the second. The mistakes of an author of great name will propagate mistakes almost without end: accordingly we see Mallet, a citizen of Geneva, one of the preceptors of the prince of Denmark, and member of many academies, in his work on northern antiquities, confounding the ancient Scandinavians with the Celts throughout. But this is less to be wondered at, as he is convicted by his translator of ignorance in the language of the people whose antiquities he discusses. But these are instances of discretion, compared to Memoires de la Langue Celtique, par Mons. BULLET, Besançon, 1754, 3 vols. folio; where this egregious etymologist traces English names of places compounded of such appellative words as land, brook, marsh, well, high, north, hill, dale, wood, ford, street, bridge, &c. &c. to Celtic roots; a conduct of which the flightest acquaintance with the vocabulary of the English language would have taught him the absurdity\*. When an opinion flatters the vanity of men, it is the practice rather to promote than to examine it. It is not therefore surprising to see this error of the universality of the Celtic origins, as it was adopted by such respectable writers as the two Macphersons, missead the dunces of the Celtic school in Wales and Ireland. The mention made by some of the ancient authors of the Teutonic and Sarmatian nations sometimes acting in concert, may have induced those modern writers to confound them in one.

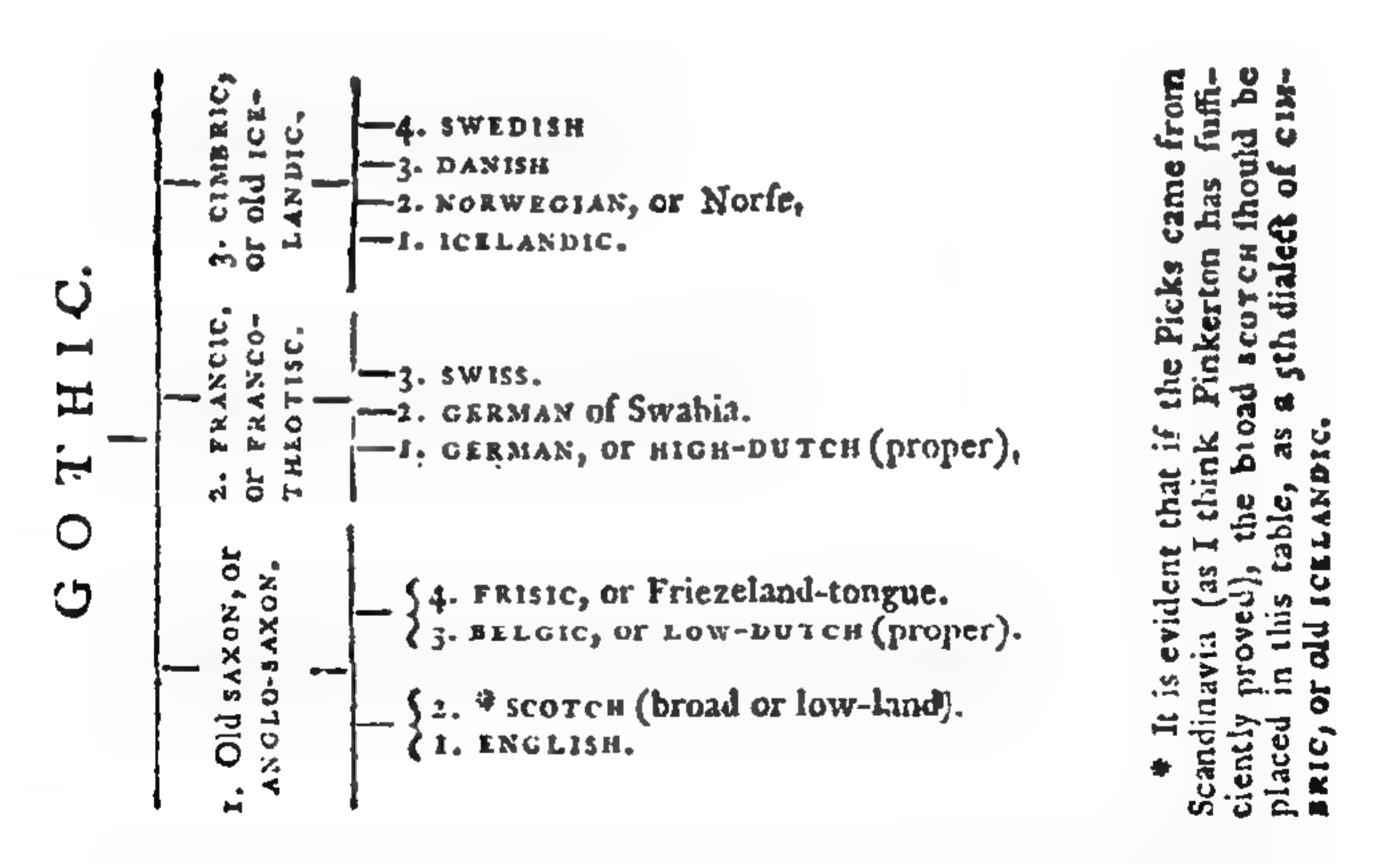
Examples:—"ACTON (Oak-Town), from Ac, a river, and Ton, an habitation. ASTON (East-Town), from As, a river, and Ton, an habitation. AUKLAND (Oak-Land), from Oc, a little hill, Lan a river, and D, or Dr, two. DICH-MARSH, Dich from Dichlud, borne, and Mar, water, (quasi) land borne up by water. HIGHAM (High-home), from I, a river, and Cam in composition Gam, a bending. NORTHAMPION (North-home-town), from Nar. the mouth (of a river), Tan, a river, and Ton, an habitation. NORTHILL, (North-hill) from Nar, the mouth, and Tyle, an habitation. RINGWOOD, from Ren, a division, Caw, a river, and Hed, a forcit. STANFORD, (Stone or Stonyford) from Stan, the mouth of a river, and Vor, pronounced For, near. STRATTON, (Street-Town) from Strat, land near a river, and Ton; or from Ster, rivers, At, a junction, and Ton. UKBRIDGE, (Ouse-Bridge) from Uc, river, and Brig, division.' Risum teneatis?

And the Celtic names still remaining of rivers, forests, lakes, fens, and mountains, in all the countries once possessed by Celts, seem to favour the delusion of the Celts being the ancestors of the modern inhabitants of Europe. More improbable hypotheses have been formed on weaker premises. But the best informed authors among the ancients, and who expressly wrote upon the subject, explicitly describe the Celts and Germans as peop : distinguished from each other by the remotest distimilitude of customs, and complexion of character, religion, and language. The first being remarked for levity, vanity, petulance, and impetuous though transitory in bravery; the second, for gravity, modesty, phlegm, and deliberate fortitude. And these qualities, notwithstanding the influence of civilization, arts, and identity of religion, still continue to distinguish us from the posterity of the Celtic nations of the continent, though half their blood be Gothic \*. But as language is the strongest and most permanent moral evidence of the origin of nations, I shall transcribe, for the fitisfaction of my readers, a genealogy of the several dialests of the two great parent languages, from the translator of Mallet.

\* Mr. James Macpherson, him'elf a Colt, thus testines of the Celtic charafter:-" Fighteness and levity (fags he) are the natural consequences of 44 their warmth of difficultion. Men of vivacity, and subject to passion, are " for the mrs part inconfiant, chargeable, rath, curious, credulous, and " proud. All the branches of the Celtic nation determined fuddenly upon " affairs of the greatest moment, and placed the foundation of actions of the " last importance upon unce tain rumours and vague reports. Their vio-" lence in rufning into new projects could only be equalled by their want of " perseverance in any plan. The tide seldem ran long in one direction; it was " always with them a precipitate abb, or a tempelinous flow." And after expatiating on the credelity, curiofity, and hyperbolical pride of the old Celts, he proceeds:-" There are the most striking features of the ancient inhabi-" tauts of Britain. To any man acquainted with the nature and genius of " the usinixed part of the posterity of the Ce tae in the northern division of " this island, the authorities at the bottom of the page are superfluous. He " which be convinced at the patitive of the description, by the observations "which he himfelf has made; and he will be at the fame time furprifed to " fee the accuracy with which the authors of Rome have drawn the portrait \*\* of our ancettors. \*\*

Compare this character with that of the uninixed progeny of the Goths; the German and Low Dutch, as well as the 5 sede, and Danes; and even with that of the English!





The translator before mentioned then proceeds to give specimens of all these dialects; exhibiting as well a most intimate analogy between those of the same family respectively, as the utpost dissimilitude from those of the other.

THE Translator and Editor, desirous of affording to this Edition every illustration of which the work is susceptible, having in vain enquired for an authentic Memoir of the Life of the Author, must content himself with giving the translation of a Paper containing an account of his Works, prefixed to the folio Edition of his Atlas, in form of an Advertisement.

THE curious and learned well know to what degree of perfection the late Mr. D'Anville has carried Geography. But. the world in general may be informed that he was animated by; a paffionate zeal from his earliest youth for this science exclufively; and that a natural fagacity, and found judgment, accompanied him to the study of it, which he pursued with indefatigable diligence for near seventy years. During this time he made a collection amounting to more than ten thousand charts, of which above five hundred were manuscript: and it may be said that the mass of information alone resulting from the combination and collation of these, has put an immense interval between him and all those who have preceded in the same career. One may judge by the works, full of curious research, that are due to him; by the quantity of learned and Indicious memoirs furnished by him to the Academy of Inscriptions and Belles Lettres; and by the multitude of excellent charts of geography, as well ancient as modern, with which he has enriched the world. The erudition of his maps, the abundance of objects, the scrupulous exactitude of his positions, the neatness and perspicuity of his designs, and the beauty of their execution, give them a decided superiority over all that hitherto have been published. Their merit is universally acknowledged, as well by foreign nations as by France. Hence the continual eagerness of the learned of Europe to possess them, of the most skilful geographers to choose them for models, and of compilers of maps to copy them in preference to all others.

All these considerations have induced the publisher to preferve separately the geographic charts of this learned and ingenious author, and to vend them unmixed with any others. It is therefore that the public is apprised that the Sieur Demanne, who published these charts for fifteen years under the immediate impedition of the author, still continues to publish them at the same price as usual. And it being supposed that the world will be curious to know their tisles, the following

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UNDERTAKE, says a geographer of antiquity, to describe the World; a work filled with difficulties, and susceptible of no elegance of style \*. But when we apply to study to acquire knowledge, we ought, to the defire of gratifying our own curiofity, to join the motive of being of some utility, if possible, to the public. After having in the course of fifteen. years, under the incitement and auspices of Monseigneur the late Duke of Orleans, and those of the prince his son, given charts, more ample than any preceding, of the four parts of the world, followed by a map of the two hemispheres, I have devoted myself to the composition of a second series, reserved for ancient geography; an object that has ever been dear to me. It would appear superfluous to recommend particularly what is generally acknowledged; the necessity of being instructed in this Geography to read ancient history with profit.

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<sup>\*</sup> Orbis fitum discere aggredior, impeditum opus, & sacundia minime capax. Pomponius Mela. D.

At the head of this series is a general chart of the Orbis Veteribus notus, or the World known to the Ancients; followed by the Orbis Romanus, in two parts, east and west, in which the objects are more exactly and explicitly detailed than in the maps hitherto published of that empire. These divisions of the Roman world are presented under a point of view adapted to the principal state of Geography in Antiquity, rather than to the modification of it in a posterior age, when the provinces, multiplied almost to infinity, had obliterated the traces of their primitive partitions. The extent of the ancient world beyond the limits of these two parts, offers scarcely any other detail than the means of placing, with some certainty, what the general chart of it expresses. Thus I may flatter myself with having furnished a considerable quantity of geography, in the small compass of three sheets. But there are countries which make so great a figure in ancient history as to require to be treated separately, and in a manner that will leave less to desire concerning them. Ancient Gaul is particularly interesting to a Frenchman. It is enough to name Italy, Greece, Asia Minor, Syria, and Palestine, to recognize the theatres where the important scenes were performed that compose the subject of history. There are then as many particular maps in this collection as may be thought sufficient to represent whatever is more or less detailed in ancient Geography. Thefe

These several maps in the hands of many persons have occasioned a wish for some written work that might create an interest in consulting them. Among these persons are some of a sex whose curiosity, well meriting applause on such a subject, it becomes a duty to gratify. There has hitherto appeared no treatise that seems to hold the place of what is here offered to the public. The learned indeed may find little trouble in turning over the two weighty quartos of Celarius. But in his work, though very laudable, the want of a sufficient acquaintance with modern Geography deprives the ancient of the light which it has often occasion for, to ascertain or to rectify it. For we may accuse the geographers of antiquity of appearing sometimes to offend in the face of day with respect to location; the examination of which ought to accompany, as much as possible, the study of their works.

In forming an abridgment I perceive all the difficulty attached to this species of labour. I did not willingly consent to make the context dry and jejune. On the other hand, it required an effort to resist a natural ambition to enrich the composition of it. To fix the attention of the reader to principal objects, the body of the work is not overcharged with too great a detail; a table in form of a simple nomenclature being annexed, which will furnish to it an ample supplement. The regions on which the ancient Geography receives most light from actual observation

are those that most contribute to the multiplicity of this nomenclature. Besides, there are countries which were much richer in their ancient state than they are in the modern: therefore it cannot be expected that an indication of correspondent positions will be disfused equally through the whole work. I am not a little solicitous with regard to Asia. But some persons have been willing to testify that they have observed more erudition displayed therein than appears in the work in general: and I am inclined to think that it is sitting it should be so; since the want of exposition may be greater on the subject of that continent than of Europe.

The study of a book of this nature requires indispensibly the concomitant contemplation of maps: but what would be the number of morsels dispersed through such a work, were they to be made correspondent with the number of particular regions which so vast a space as that described therein comprehends? It is not a book of mere amusement, to be taken up wherever it is found. Serious as it is however, it may be easily accompanied with a roll of charts, or a portfolio that contains them. One cannot be too sensible of the advantage of rendering familiar to the eye the fituation, the extent, and the general connection of the respective contiguous parts, rather than having them disjointed, and represented under various scales, which in such case would be inevitable: so that to acquire a competent idea of their re-union and

and conformity, a laborious application would become necessary: and withal there would not result
from them the same effect that a frequent and reiterated inspection of the same plate produces on the
understanding.

Another article on which it is necessary to be undeceived, is the expectation of having maps wherein the modern geography is applied to the ancient, or rather confounded with it. But what is practicable with certain individual places, by inscribing on them a plurality of names, is by no means so with countries whose limits do not correspond. If a name having something in common, as the name of Guienne with that of the ancient Aquitaine, from which it is known to be derived, does not fall upon the same extent of country; or if this extent is not nearly equal, as that of Provence compared with the ancient Roman Province in Gaul, how could the countries be delineated that have nothing analogous in their ancient and modern state? I have seen persons who think it feasible to publish a repetition of each map in different colours, not perceiving the difficulty of the execution, and the two-fold expence. Besides, to make instruction too easy, is to injure it fundamentally; for knowledge to be profitable must cost some pains in the acquisition. The correspondence of ancient with modern Geography will be sufficiently developed and illustrated, by comparing the modern maps with the ancient: and as both series are on the same plan,

the comparison will not be difficult. There will moreover result to the student the advantage of samiliarising himself, at the same time, with the one as well as the other state of Geography.

To have exhibited every place with a citation of the author in whose works the notice of it is sound, would not have suited the plan of a Compendium; though such citation I have deemed indispensable in certain cases. The tenour of this work should not resemble the differtations, such as may be seen in the memoirs communicated to the academy of which I have the honour to be a member, however difficult it be to avoid equally the same tone of discussion. In presenting an edifice of vast extent, one conceals as much as possible the view of the whole scassfolding, and the almost infinite detail of materials which served to erect it, and to fill it at the same time with the multitude of objects which it ought to contain.

Those to whom a sort of caprice in the alteration of names is not familiar, from a want of recognition of certain relations whereby analogy is preserved in such alteration, will see perhaps with some surprise that names apparently dissimilar are given as correspondent.

I hope that eyes almost darkened by long study, as well as by the projection of a great number of maps, many of which have not been engraved, may yet permit me to follow this epitome of ancient Geography with another work, which might be intitled STATES

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#### THE AUTHOR'S PREFACE. XXIII

ROMAN EMPIRE IN THE WEST. This change of fcene representing the revolution in Geography, and prepared from historical documents, appears the more interesting to consider, as it serves for the soundation of the present state of things.



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## ANCIENT GEOGRAPHY.

Y ancient Geography we understand whatever the Greek and Roman writers have left us upon that subject. Time has prescribed to its progress distinct and successive periods. The information contained in the poems of Homer makes the first age, if I may so speak, of this Geography. Greece, and the neighbouring shores of Italy, part of Asia, and a small portion of Africa towards Egypt, composed the whole of its object, which received no considerable aggrandizement till the conquests of Alexander. The Greeks before that period had no knowledge of India but its name, and that of the Indus: and they would have remained equally ignorant of the west, if some of their historians had not mentioned the navigation of the Phœni-

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cians towards the fouthern shores of Iberia or Spain. Establishments formed in Italy and in Germany by Celtic nations, had diffused their name before Gaul, whence they issued, was known. The Roman domination, when it extended itself in the west, and towards the north of Europe, made us acquainted with the different countries of it. The parts of Asia and of Africa subjected to the same power became also much better known than they had been hitherto. Thus what, according to some ancient writers, we may call the Roman world, makes the principal part of ancient geography, and that which is detailed with most minuteness and precision. Nothing more contributed to retard any improvement of the ancients in geography, than the opinion that the earth was habitable only in temperate regions; for, according to this system, the torrid zone was a barrier that permitted no communication between the northern temperate zone, which they inhabited, and the fouthern. Their intelligence being thus confined to a band or zone, they might with propriety call extension from west to east, length, or longitude; and the more contracted space from north to south, width, or latitude. Strabo, the most illustrious geographer of antiquity, was not undeceived in this opinion, which circumscribed the object of his science;

science; he, nevertheless, extended it to some regions beyond the Tropic. Ptolemy expanded its limits, and even advanced beyond the Equinoxial Line. The Ganges, which bounded the investigations of Strabo, was not the line that terminated the geography of Ptolemy. Navigation had opened the way through the ulterior countries as far as that of the Since, which we shall make known in the sequel of this work: but at the same time there will be seen how much must be rescinded from the extension which Ptolemy takes in longitude to this extremity of the ancient geography towards the east. The Chart of the World known to the Ancients, wherein it has been deemed expedient to delineate only the countries which really appertain to the fubject of the title, will shew at one view all that antiquity was acquainted with in Asia and Africa; which, more vast than Europe, left to an after age the discovery of the remoter regions of these great continents.

The division of the world into three parts, Europe, Asia, and Africa, is of the highest antiquity. But before entering into a detail of the countries contained in each of those parts, it is proper, for the better understanding of ancient geography, to receive some general ideas of two

articles which refer to the universality of its object. The first of these regards the regions and names of the winds according to the ancients: the other the itinerary measures which they made use of. With respect to the winds, we shall find them designed in the map of the ancient world in a greater number than is thought necessary to report here. We know that the equator, and the axis of the world from one pole to the other, determined the four principal regions of the winds, which are called cardinal. The east, named Subsolanus, as being under the rising sun, takes, for the same reason, the appellation of Apeliotes among the Greeks. The west was called Favonius, or Zephyrus: Septentrio was denominated Aparctias by the Greeks; and the Notus with them answers to the Auster, or south wind of the Romans. Boreas, or Aquilo, which fometimes appears to be figuratively used to signify the northern climates of the earth, was more precisely ranged between the north and east, holding nearly the same place with one of the four winds called \* collateral. The Eurus, or Ful-

<sup>\*</sup> Improperly, however; for how can lines converging to a central pount be faid to be parallel or collateral? I would have translated it radial, had I been warranted in the use of the word

Vulturnus, had the same relative position between the east and south. The Corus, which the Greeks named Argestes, answers to our Maestral, between the north and west. The Africus, or south-west, was denominated Libs by the Greeks, among whom Africa was called Libya; whence the present name Lebeche in the navigation of the Mediterranean is derived. Among the winds peculiar to different countries we shall only mention the Cirtius of Gaul, named Iapax, at the extremity of Italy, which is \* our Vent de Cers,

by any authority; and then it would only have expressed a property, not a difference; for the cardinal winds are also radial, or radii of the great circle.

\* The Abbé le Sadde of Avignon, in his Life of Petrarch, observes that this wind is frequently confounded with the Vent de Bise. They are both owing to the same natural causes, and both blow with the same impetuosity.

The Cers is occasioned by the mountains of Cevennes, the Bise by those of Vivarez and the Alps. The Cers sweeps the coast of Languedoc from Toulouse as far as Adge, where it loses itself in the sea; while the Bise, coming down the valley formed by the bed of the Rhône, blows over Provence as far as Nice, and is more likely to have been the Iapax. The Cers is said to derive its name from cyrch, a Celtic word signifying violence; and the Bise from a word in the same language, denoting darkness, because the north is the region of darkness at the season when this wind is most prevalent. The rhomb of

Cers, blowing from the north-west. That which is frequently found in ancient writers under the name of Etesiæ, or the Etesian winds, did not denote a particular region of the world, but a regular wind at a certain season, varying its point in the horizon from the north to the west.

Among the itinerary measures, none more frequently presents itself than the Roman mile, which, composed of a thousand paces of five Roman feet, makes a measure equivalent to seven hundred and fifty-six of our toises \*; the Roman foot being somewhat inserior to that of Paris. The employment of the stadium is scarce less frequent; but a specific distinction between the different lengths of stadia does not appear to have been hitherto known in geography. The Greek

the Cers is from the north-west to the south-west; that of the Bise from the north-east to the north-west.

Many ancient writers mention the effects of this furious wind. The poet Æschylus, in his tragedy of Prometheus, makes Hercules say that he was incommoded by it in crossing the Plaine de Crau, near Arles. Diodorus Siculus, and Strabo, in his sourth book, speak of its violence; and Seneca reports that Augustus, during his residence in Gaul, dedicated a temple to it, because of its salubrious effects on the atmosphere. Divus Augustus templum illi dum in Gallia moraretur et vovit et secit. Seneca, Quest. 1. 50.

\* The toise of Paris is 76.74 English inches.

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stadium, making the eighth part of a mile, had in truth prevailed over the other measures of the stadium: and it was not without a sedulous commensuration of the distances given in stadia to spaces locally correspondent, that a measure was discovered that could not be estimated at more than the tenth of a mile: and again another stadium, which appears of still more ancient use, that is not more than two thirds of the last-mentioned. So that in the chart of the ancient world there will be found three scales of stadia of extremely wide proportions between themselves. The Persians made use of the parasang; the length of which appeared equal to thirty of these stadia whereof a mile contained ten. Ægypt employed a measure called schêne, composed of sixty of the shortest stadia, commensurate with four Roman miles. The Roman domination in Gaul had permitted that nation to use in all its provinces, except the Narbonoise, the measure peculiar to it, the leuca, or league, which was then only equal to fifteen hundred Roman paces; but fince assuming double that extent, in conformity to a Germanic measure called a resta, has become the common league of France, equal to three Roman miles, or about the twenty-fifth part of a degree of the B 4

meridian. And a more analytic detail belongs only to a particular treatise on itinerary measures.

It is still to the purpose of this exordium to take a general and transient view of the seas. The whole expanse of those which envelope the continent of the earth was comprised in the name of Ocean. In this extent the sea washing the shores of Africa towards the west, and near the place where mount Atlas elevates itself, acquired the name of Mare Atlanticum; and which, from its extremely western situation, is called by the Arabs the Dark Sea. But this name of Atlantic Sea is not yet out of use in geography. Another great division of the ocean, which from the eastern coast of Africa stretches to the south of the continent of Asia, and which we call the Indian Sea, was denominated Mare Erythræum, or the Red Sea. In the sequestered climates of the north the name of Mare Pigrum, or the Torpid Sea, or otherwise of Mare Concretum, corresponds with the present appellation of the Icy Sea. The greatest of gulphs that the ocean forms being between the continents of Europe and Africa, and penetrating into Asia, was more familiar to the authors of antiquity than any other sea; and was sometimes denoted by them in the appellation of Mare Nostrum, our sea, but

more frequently in that of *Mare Internum*, an expression more conformable to the ages of pure latinity than *Mediterranean*, which is indeed of recent date.

It is to a particular description of different countries that an exhibition of other seas and more considerable gulphs is reserved. It may well be presumed that the titles of Europe, Asia, and Africa, will make capital divisions in this work. Under these divisions will be ranged the predominant regions in each; and these regions will again be found susceptible of subdivisions, as having severally their principal parts.

## EUROPA.

- I. HISPANIA.

  TARRACONENSIS.

  BÆTICA.

  LUSITANIA.
- II. G A L L I A.

  NARBONENSIS.

  LUGDUNENSIS.

  AQUITANIA.

  BELGICA.
- III. BRITANNIA.
  HIBERNIA.
- IV. GERMANIA. scandinavia.
  - V. RHÆTIA.

    NORICUM.

    PANNONIA.

    ILLYRICUM.

#### VI. ITALIA.

GALLIA CISALPINA.
ITALIA.
SICILIA. CORSICA.
SARDINIA.

VII. G R Æ C I A.

MACEDONIA.

GRÆCIA.

PELOPONNESUS.

CRETA ET CYCLADES.

VIII. THRACIA.

MŒSIA.

DACIA.

IX. SARMATIA-EUROPÆA.

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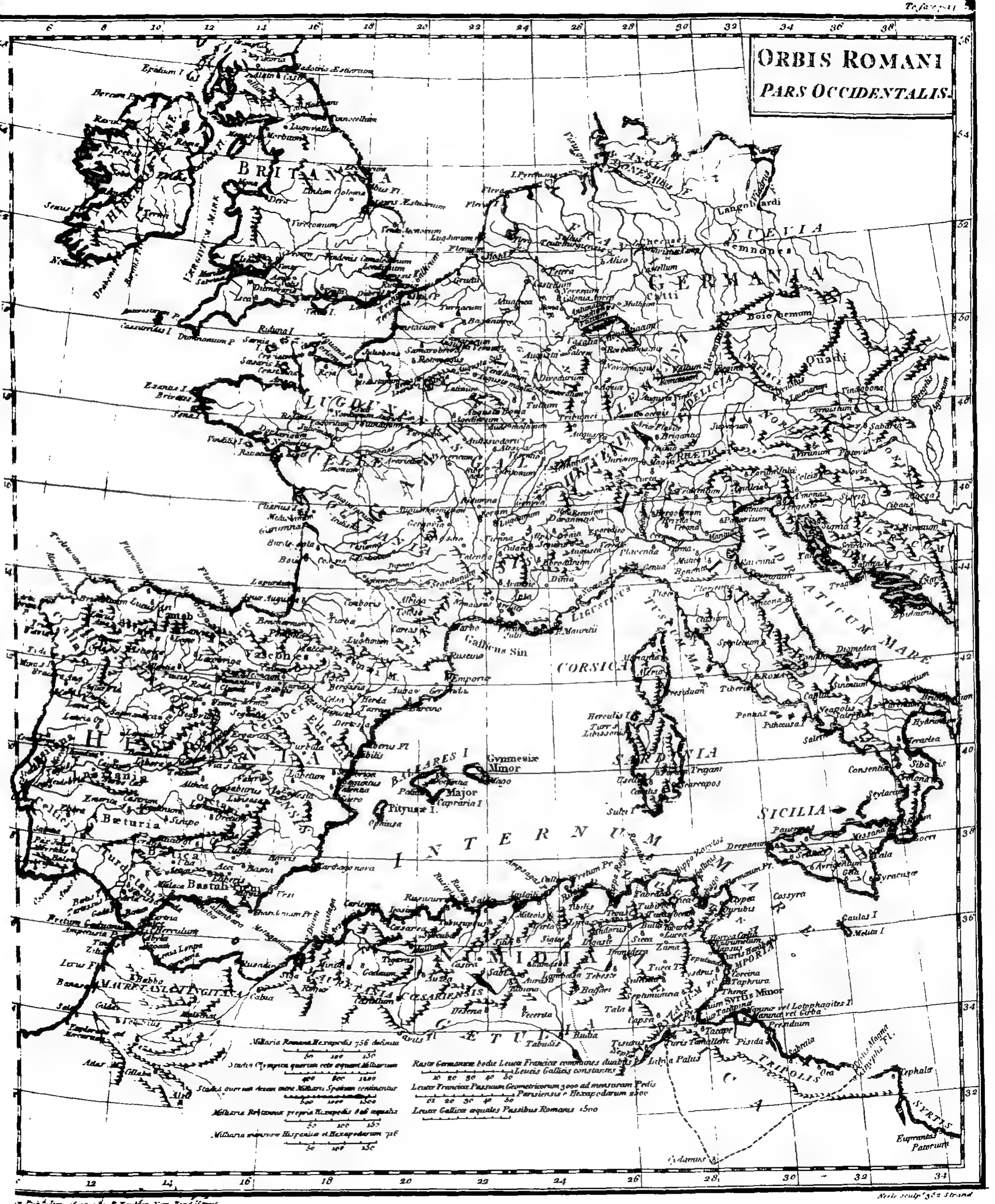
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Guadi-al-Kibir, or the Great River, run more obliquely from the east towards the south. Sucro. or the Xucar, which empties itself into the Mediterranean; and Minius, or the Minno (which should be pronounced Migno), having its mouth in the Ocean northward of the Durius, may also be cited here; omitting at present the mention of other rivers, which will more properly be found in the detail that is to follow. Among the mountains described by the ancients, that of Idubeda extends its name to a long chain, which, from the country of the Cantabrians towards the north, continues fouthward to that of the Celtiberians. Orespeda is a circle of mountains which envelopes the fources of the Batis: and what is now called Sierra Morena derives its name from Marianus mons, between Castille and Andalusia. This continent forms many promontories, of which three are sufficiently eminent to be distinguished here: Charidemum on the Mediterranean, now Cape Gata; Sacrum, and Artabrum or Nerium, on the Ocean; the first of which has taken the name of St. Vincent, and the other that of Finisterre. And these are the features of nature most prominent and remarkable in this country.

The Romans having successfully disputed with the



the Carthaginians the dominion of Spain, and reduced by long wars the Spanish nations who refused obedience, divided the whole country into two provinces, distinguished by the appellations of Citerior and Ulterior. Under Augustus, the ulterior province was again parted into two, Bætica and Lustania; at the same time that the citerior assumed the name of Tarraconensis, from Tarraco, its metropolis. This Tarraconoise occupied all the northern part, from the foot of the Pyrenees to the mouth of the Durius, where Lusitania terminated; and the eastern, almost entire to the confines of Bætica, which, deriving this name from the river Bætis, that traversed it during its whole course, extended from the north to the west along the bank of the river Anas, by which it was separated from Lusitania; whilst this last - mentioned province was continued thence to the Ocean, between the mouths of the Anas and Durius. This division of Spain must be regarded as properly belonging to the principal and dominant state of ancient geography. It was not till about the age of Dioclesian and Constantine, when the number of provinces was multiplied by fubdivisions, that the Tarraconoise was dismembered into two new provinces; one towards the limits of Bætica, and adjacent to the Mediterranean, to which the city of Carthago nova communicated the name of Carthaginensis; the other on the Ocean to the north of Lusitania, and to which the nation of Callaici, or Callaci, in the angle of Spain which advances towards the north-east, has given the name Callacia, still subsisting in that of Gallicia. Independently of this distinction of provinces, Spain under the Roman government was divided into jurisdictions, called Conventus, of which there are counted fourteen; each one formed of the union of several cities, who held their assizes in the principal city of the district. We proceed now to a particular description of each province.

## TARRACONENSIS.

The country which corresponds with modern Catalonia, on the declivity of the Pyrenees, comprised divers people, whose names and situations may be seen in the map of the western part of the Roman world: but we shall here particularly cite the Ceretani, since they have given their name to a district called Cerdagne. A city sounded on the coast by the Massilians, under the name of Emporiæ, is the first that presents itself among those which are judged proper to be mentioned here,

here, in preference to many others. A wall in this city separated the habitation of the Indigites, or natives of the country, from the Greek strangers. The place is known by the name of Ampurias, and the environs are distinguished by that of Ampurdan, which is a depravation of Pagus Emporitanus. Gerunda, Gironna, is now a place of confideration in this canton. Ausa, which gave its name to a people, is Vic de Osona, commonly called Vic. Barcino, under the present name of Barcelona, is the reigning city; but it heretofore yielded this advantage to Tarraco, or Tarragona, which still preserves the dignity of a metropolis in the ecclesiastical government. A river, which the sea receives near Barcelona, owes its name of Obrega to that of Rubricatus. Dertosa, a little above the mouth of the Ebro, is recognised under the name of Tortosa. Further inland, the Ilergetes, on the right bank of the Sicoris, or the Segro, which discharges itself into the Ebro, possessed Ilerda, which an expedition of Cæsar's has rendered famous, and which is still a place of importance under the name of Lerida. Balaguer, higher up the same river, occupies the site of Bergusia. Leaving the borders of Catalonia, we must mention Osca, or Huesca, in the north of Arragon, and the city of the Iaccetani, or Jaca,

Jaca, at the foot of the Pyrenees. The modern kingdom of Navarre was the original feat of the Vascones, a great nation; who passing the mountains, gave their name to a province of ancient Gaul. Pompelo, or Pompelona, on the declivity of the Pyrenees; and Calagurris, or Calahora, on the southern bank of the Ebro, were their principal cities. Towards the fources of the Ebro, and reaching to the ocean, dwelt the Cantabri, a warlike people, who long defended their liberties\*. Divided into many cantons, they extended over Biscay and part of Asturias. We may judge of their ancient ferocity, by what is reported of a people who made part of this nation under the name of Concani, that they esteemed the blood of horses a most delicious beverage. A city situated at the foot of the mountains where the Ebro rises, was called Juliobriga. Opinions are divided concerning the position of the maritime city called Flaviobriga. This termination of briga, frequently repeated in names of places in Spain, denotes à city in the language of the country.

To the Cantabrians, towards the west, were contiguous the Astures, who had also signalized themselves by a glorious resistance to the Ro-

<sup>\*</sup> Cantaber serâ domitus catenâ. Hor.

man yoke. Descending from the mountains to the plain country, we find their city under the name of Asturica Augusta, which is still preserved in that of Astorga. A colony established in this canton, and named Legio Septima Gemina, is the origin of the city of Leon. One of the principal towns of this nation, and named Lancia, was not far distant. We cannot forbear lamenting, that, owing to the little topographical knowledge which Spain has yet afforded us of the kingdoms of Leon and old Castile, we are here deprived of all light to direct us in our search after different places, which, independently of geographical monuments, are mentioned in history in a manner to excite our curiosity. Oviédo, the present capital of Asturias, replaces in dignity, if not precisely in situation, an ancient city called Lucus Asturum. The territory of the Pæsici was a peninsula, or corner of land, which the cape named De las Penas\* terminated, and Flavionavia was their city. Finally, the Callaci terminated this northern shore of the Tarraconoise, which we have but cursorily surveyed. In their territory are recognized two fuperior cities or capitals of Conventus, the one called Bracara Augusta, or Braga; the other

<sup>\*</sup> Penas de Puçon.

Lucus Augusti, or Lugo. A promontory, remarkable for being the most elevated land of the continent of Spain towards the north, appearing in antiquity under the name of Trileucum, has been changed into that of Ortiguera, or, according to vulgar usage, Ortegal. We have already mentioned Artabrum, still more remarkable as answering to Finisterre \*. In the interval between these promontories, the position of Magnus Fortus seems to have been the same with that of Coruna, and Brigantium with that of Betanços. A city named Iria Flavia appears to have existed in a place now named Padron. Among several places distinguished by mineral waters, Aquæ Origines, and Aquæ Flaviæ, have become Caldas d'Orense, and Chavés. Tyde is Tui, a little above the mouth of the Minho. Between the Minho and Doiro, a little river named Limius, now Lima, was also called Lethe, or the river of oblivion, in antiquity. On the Doiro, near to its mouth, Caile, called now Porto, is remarkable, by the combination of its ancient and modern name, for giving the denomination of Portugal to a kingdom, which being heretofore limited to the extent of a county or earldom, was conferred on a prince of the house of France by a king of Leon.

<sup>\*</sup> The Land's End.

Ascending the Durius, we find the nation of Vaccai, and that of Arevaci. Among the cities mentioned by the ancients in the first, and which was contiguous to the Astures, Pallantia is the easiest recognized under the name of Palentia. A river which traverses this region from north to fouth, has deduced from the name Piforaca (given by an inscription) that of Pisuerga. It is not well ascertained whether or not Valiadolid, lower down this river, corresponds precisely in situation with that of a city anciently named Pintia. Simancas, which is not far distant from it, takes its name from Septimanca; the Arevaci owing the name which distinguishes them to a river called Areva, which falling into the Duero on the fouth side, divides their territory. Their principal city, if we may judge by the prerogative of a Conventus, was Clunia; of which vestiges subsist under the name of Corugna, at some distance north of the river, a little above Aranda. Burgos, the present capital of old Castile, cannot be mentioned here, because it only began to appear under the counts that preceded the kings of that country. Rauda and Uxama, are Roa and Osma. But ascending higher, we find Numantia distinguishing itself in renown above all other cities, for a resistance of fourteen years to the numerous armies of Rome. An historian, a Spaniard \* by nation, and who is called Hispaniae decus, the ornament of Spain, attributes the defence of it to the Celtiberians: and a nation under the name of Pelendones, towards the sources of the Durius, is mentioned as Celtiberian.

It is upon this river, not far from its origin, and above the city of Soria, that we find the site that Numantia occupied. We must believe that it was replaced by another city of the same name, since there is mention made of its existence many ages after it was destroyed to its foundations by Scipio Emelianus. Termes, ally of Numantia, preserves the name of Tiermes without population. In the farthest part of the territory of the Arevacians, Cauca and Segovia preserve their names. Segontia, now Siguenza, at the entrance of New Castile, belonged to the same people. One of the most powerful nations of Spain, and who fustained long wars against the Romans, were the Celtiberi; who joining the generic name of their race to the specific one of the nation where they settled +, extended themfelves from the right or fouthern shore of the Ebro, far into the Tarraconoise. In the center of

<sup>\*</sup> Florus.

<sup>+</sup> Celtæ miscentes nomen Iberis. D.

the country, one of their principal cities, named Ergavica, was fituated among the mountains, near to the little river of Guadiela, which the Taio receives not far from its origin. proaching the Ebro, Bilbilis, the native city of the poet Martial, near a river named Salo, now Xalon, is only known by the name of Baubola, in the neighbourhood of a new city constructed by the Maures, called Callatayud. Turiaso exists still in Taraçona; and Cascantum, in Cascante, not far distant from it. Towards the southern part of Celtiberia, the polition of a colony named Valeria, is found under the name of Valera, which is preserved in a small place in a district of New Castile, called La Mancha. And the present name of Iniesta, in the same district, anfwers to that of Egelesta. Lobetum, which appears to have had its particular territory between the Celtiberians and the nation we proceed to describe, accords with that of Requena.

Beside the Celtiberians, the Edetani stretched from the Ebro to the river Sucro, or Xucar. Cæsar-augusta, or Saragosa, the capital of a Conventus, and which was before named Salduba, was at the northern extremity of this great territory; and Celsa, which lower down had a bridge over the Ebro, is known by the name of Xelsa. On the

opposite or southern frontier, we distinguish Saguntus and Valentia. Saguntus, destroyed by Hannibal, re-established by the Romans, preserves its vestiges in a place, of which the modern name of Murviedro is formed of the Latin muri veteres, old walls. The river which passes by Valentia, named heretofore Turia, assumed, under the dominion of the Maures, the name of Guadalaviar. In the name of Segorbe, a noted city in the kingdom of Valentia, we recognize that of Segobriga, of which there is mention in the detail of cities of the Conventus Carthaginensis, as the capital of Celtiberia; which cannot be easily admitted, unless we suppose that the Celtiberians, in the primitive state of their power, controuled the Edetani. This name of Edetani was formed from that of their capital Edeta; which having been also called Lerida, still subsists under that name in the parallel of Murviedero, not far from Valencia. The prefent name of Teruel shews the position of Turbula. On the fea-coast, and towards the mouths of the Ebro, dwelt the Lercarnes; to whom Dertosa is ascribed. A city in this circuit, named Ind', occupied the fite of a place now called Xert, in the direction of an ancient way from Dertosa to Saguntus. On the coast is remarked that

that the signification of the Greek denomination of Chersonessus subsists in that of Peniscola, formed by depravation of the Latin Peninsula.

But we must at present return by Celtiberia to enter among the Carpetani, whom the Celtiberians had behind them, in the center of the continent of Spain. Toletum, Toledo, was their principal city. It is only by conjecture that to Madrid, a new city, is applied the name of Mantua, which we find among the ancient towns of this nation. It is agreed to ascribe Alcala, the name of which is Arabic, to Complutum in the same territory. Contrebia, of which mention is made in history, has left its vestiges in a place called Santavert. The fertile fields of Cumin indicate the Vicus Cuminarius to have been Zarza. It appears that the name of the Olcades, who had a city named Altaa, is preferved in Orgaz; and, if we be not deceived, we discover the name of Libora in that of Talavera on the Tagus. Consuegra is evidently the position of Consaburus. Towards the sources of the Anas, in a part of Orospeda, were the Oretani, who deduced their name from a city called # Oretum, the fite of which has been brought

<sup>\*</sup> Rather the name of the city from that of the people in this case, and all similar ones.

to light, in a paltry village to which the name of Oreto still remains: we may say also that they reached into Bætica, in possessing Castulo on the Bætis. Laminium, which was placed not far from the source of the Anas, ought to enter into their territory, rather than that of the Carpetani; and Livisosa will be found in Lesuza. Advancing at length to the sea, we find the Contestans occupying the country which now forms the kingdom of Murcia and the fouthern part of Valencia. By far the most considerable city in this canton was Carthago Nova, or Carthagena, which, for the advantage of having a fine port, and by its fituation affording always an open entrance into Spain, was constructed by the Carthaginians, and from them taken by the most illustrious of the Scipios. Sætabis is Xativa, on a little river which falls into the Xucar. Dianium, a maritime city, which communicated its name to a neighbouring promontory, still preserves it in that of Denia. Lucentum has subsisted under the name of Licante, which, according to present usage, is Alicant. Ilicis is Elche, and Orcelis Orihuela. Vergilia is applied to the position of Murcia, although there is no mention of this city till after the invasion of the Maures. This maritime shore was called Spartarius Campus, from a species of reeds which grow there in abundance. Another people, the Basitani, extended into this extremity of the Tarraconoise: they appear even to have been entirely comprised in it, although placed beyond the mountain of Orospeda, on the sources of the Bætis. This circumstance naturally establishes them in Bætica; in treating of which they will be particularly mentioned. Ilorcis, or Lorca, is assigned to this territory.

But before entering upon a description of Bætica, we must speak of the isles adjacent to the Tarraconoise, which, in the augmentation of the number of provinces, assumed the rank of a particular one. The name of Baleares, or, according to the Greeks, Gymnesiæ, was limited to the two islands of Major and Minor, Majorca and Minorca. They were occupied by the Phœnicians before the Romans seized them; and their inhabitants, it is well known, were eminently distinguished for their dexterity at the sling. The principal city in the first preserves the name of Palma. The position which another city occupied named Pollentia, is known near a town constructed by the Maures under the name of Alcudia. As to Minorca, the name of Portus Magonis, given to it by a Carthaginian

commander, is but little altered in that of Port Mahon. Ebusus, Yviça, and Ophiusa, or the \*Serpentine, which is Formentera, almost adherent to Yviça, were separate from the Baleares, called in Greek Pityusa, or the Isles of Pines.

#### BÆTICA.

This province, which, as we have already faid, traversed by the river Betis, to which it owed its name, was distinguished from the other provinces of Spain by its richness and fertility. The number of cities which it contained in limits comparatively contracted, and four districts of jurisdictions or conventus, are sufficient testimonies of its abundance and population. It was also the first known by the advantages that the Phænicians there found for their commerce. Its extent corresponds precisely with that part of Spain which, advanced towards the south, has taken the name of Andalusia, derived from Vandalisia, which the Vandals, before they were constrained by the Goths to pass into Africa,

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<sup>\*</sup> Serpentaire in the original, which fignifies a species of plant called Birthwort, or Snakeroot. But whether it obtained its name from its figure, or for abounding in that plant, is submitted to the conjecture of the reader. 'Opis signifies a serpent.

left to this country. Among the people which it comprehended, the Turdetani occupied the greatest space in ascending the banks of the Bætis from the sea. Above them were the Turduli; and the canton to which the river owes its origin belonged to the Bastitani, who appear to have seized upon Bætica, properly so called, if we admit their primitive feat to have been in the Tarraconoise. Along the sea, and within the Fretum, or strait, which separates Spain from Africa, were the Bastuli, surnamed Pani; which, being the general term for the Phœnician nation, was specially applied to the Carthaginians. A district distant from the sea, and lining the left bank of the Anas, was distinguished by the name of Baturia, without being proper to any particular nation.

To enter into a more minute detail, we shall follow the course of the river from its source in the Saltus Tugiensis, which owes its denomination to a place named Tugia, now Toia. Basti, which may have given a name to the Bastitani, is Baza. Acci preserved its name under the Maures in that of Guadi-Acci; of which is formed the present name of Guadix. A little place called Cazlona, on the right bank of the Bætis, shews the situation of Castulo, which was a con-

siderable city. A little lower, Illiturgi had its position near Andujar. Still descending the same bank, we find Corduba, the head of a Conventus. It owed its foundation to the Romans, and did not yield in grandeur to any other in Bætica. We know that Cordoua since served as a residence for the great Emirs of the Maures, who conquered Spain from the Goths: and this city was otherwise famous for producing the two Senecas and Lucan. At some distance to the left of the Bætis, on the river Singilis, now Xenil, Aftigis, the principal city of a Conventus, subsists in Ecija. Urso is Ossuna; and, approaching Seville, we find Carmona subsisting under the same name. Hispalis, having the same dignity in a Conventus, has only preserved its name under the altered form of Sevilla. The ancient position of Italica, the native city of the emperor Trajan, will also be found in a place named Sevilla la Vieja, about a league distant, in ascending the river, and upon the oppe site side. From above Sevilla, the Bætis, which has at present but one mouth, was continued heretofore by two streams to the sea, embracing an island which in remote antiquity was celebrated under the name of Tartessus. Nebrissa, now Lebrixa, and Afta, surnamed Regia (of which there

there remains only the name to ground that it occupied), were adjacent to that arm of the Bætis which exists no more. In coasting west of the Bætis we find Onoba answering to Moguer; and from the name of Ilipula is formed that of Niebla, whose situation is higher up the country. We should here have a great many places to cite, were we to enumerate all that are mentioned by ancient authors in Bætica. We must not omit to mention, however, Sisapo, which may be presumed to have been comprised in the limits of Beturia, and noted for its mines of minium, or vermilion. The position of this place is sufficiently obvious in the modern name of Almaden, which it received from the Maures; Maaden in the Arabic language being the appellative term for mines.

To conclude what concerns Bætica, we must follow the coast, which leaving the mouths of the Bætis, and making one side of the Fretum Gaditanum, becomes at length the shore of the Mediterranean. Gadir, or Gades, owed its foundation to the Tyrians, on an island of small extent, but attached to another of greater size by a causey; while this is separated from the continent by a channel like that of a river, at the opening of which towards the sea a holme, or

infulated hill, bore a temple dedicated to Hercules, the tutelary divinity of the founders of Its position beyond the strait, and the circumstance of its having one of the finest ports in the known world, were advantages which rendered it a city of high estimation. Receiving new augmentation under the Roman power, it became the capital of a Conventus. On the strait the position of Bxlon, the usual place for embarkation for Tingis, in Africa, is found in the name of Balonia, though now without habitation. We know that the points of the Fretum, in entering the Mediterranean, are elevated into two mountains opposite to each other; Calpe in Europe, and Abila in Africa; and that these mountains were represented as the columns of Hercules, to whose labour is ascribed, in the fables of antiquity, the opening of the strait which afforded entrance to the Ocean. We know also that Calpe was called \* Gebel-Tarik by the Maures; and of this name, by alteration,

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<sup>\*</sup> From gebel, Arabic for a mountain, and Tarik, the name of the commander who led the first expedition of the Maures across this strait in the year 92 of the Hegira, which begins in the month of November, and corresponds with the 710th of the Christian æra.

is formed the modern one of Gibraltar. At the bottom of a gulph which this mountain covers on the east, there existed heretofore a town called Carteia, which appears to have been confounded with that mentioned in antiquity under the name of Calpe. Approaching Malaca, or Malaga, but at some distance from the sea, Munda, which a victory won by Cæsar has rendered famous, still preserves its name; and the modern name of Antequera, further inland, also recals that of Anticaria on a Roman way. Inscriptions which have been found there would induce us to think that it was dependent on Singilis, which is thought to have existed on a river of the same name, now called the Xenil, at a place whose modern name is Puente de Don-Gonzalo. The principal city in the interior part of this canton, which corresponds with the kingdom of Grenada, was Eliberis, of which a neighbouring mountain retains the name, in that of Sierra Elbira. As to the city of Grenada, which is not far distant, it is to the Maures that it owes its foundation and its fovereignty. The maritime cities of Menoba, Salembina, and Abdera, notwithstanding the mutation of their names, are Almunecar, Salobrena, and Adra. The present name of Almeria, the orthography

of which in the time of the Maures was Merja, or al-Merja, supplies the ancient denomination of Murgis. Finally, on the common limits of Bætica and Tarraconensis we find the ruins of a city named Urci, not far from Vera, upon the sea.

### LUSITANIA.

In the general division of Spain into provinces, we have feen that this, which remains to be described, extended itself from the river Anas to the Durius, in passing along the shores of the Ocean. The Tagus, or Taio, which bisecting this extent of country in its course, separated two great nations. The Lusitani, whose name makes that of the entire province, occupied the division north of the river; but in their primitive state being only bounded by the Durius, they encroached on the territory which, in the extent given to the Tarraconoise, had belonged to the Callaici. The Roman yoke was an advantage to this Lusitanian nation, who are reported to have lived by depredation on their neighbours before they were obliged to apply themselves to the culture of their lands. Olisipo is well known to have been the polition of Lisbon; banishing to regions of fable the applica-

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tion of this name to that of Ulysses. Of two promontories which embrace the gulph wherein the Taio discharges itself, the most advanced in the sea, and which is the most western point of land of the continent of Europe under the name of Roca de Sintra, was called Magnum Promontorium. In ascending the Taio on the same side with Lisbon, Scalabis, a city distinguished in quality of the head of one of the three Conventus into which Lusitania was portioned, has taken the name of St. Irene, but corrupted by common use into Santarem. We must mention by the way, that a place situated directly opposite on the other side of the river, and whose present name is al-Metim, appears to have been Moron, of which a Roman commander, who reduced the Lusitanians, made a place of arms. Proceeding north, we find Conimbriga in Coimbra, a city celebrated in Portugal for its university; and the river Mondego, which passes this city, was named Monda. Torocas takes the polition which Talabriga occupied, upon a little river whose name of Vacua is now Vouga. It must be faid of Lama, that, influenced by the refemblance of name, we have tried to give it the position of Lamego; remarking, at the same time, that this city is attributed by Ptolemy to another

nation than that of the Lusitanians, and of whom we shall presently speak. If we retire from the sea, many cities which might be mentioned occur on the indeterminate limits between the nation which has given the name to Lusitania, and another great nation, the Vettones, which the same province comprised, and whose district extended from the Durius, beyond the Tagus, to the Anas. We find two cities of the name of Lancia; one furnamed Oppidana, the other Transcudana; these surnames being relative to their respective positions on a little river which falls into the Durius, named Cuda, now Coa. It is thought that Oppidana might be applied to the city of a-Guarda, and that Ciudad-Rodrigo might replace Transcudana. As to another city named Izædita, whose territory, we are informed, bordered upon that of the first Lancia, it is known to be Idanha, which the furname of Velha distinguishes from an Idanha Nova. On the frontier of the nation of Arevaci, who have been mentioned in describing the Tarraconoise, Salmantica is a position well known in that of Salamanca. Banienses and Caurium are found in Banos and Coria. But we must not omit Norba Cæsarea, which the general opinion ascribes to the position of Alcantara. A bridge over the

Tagus, which was dedicated by an affociation of many cities to the emperor Trajan, afforded occasion in the time of the Maures to the modern denomination; Cantar in the Arabic language being the general term to designate a bridge. In leaving the Tagus we meet with Castra Cæcilia on the site now occupied by Caseres. On the bank of the Anas, by which Lusitania was separated from Bituria, a part of Bætica, Emerita Augusta, a colony of \* pensioners or veterans, founded by Augustus, the capital of a Conventus, and the residence of the proprætor or governor of this province, preserves its name, with little alteration, in that of Merida. The nation of Turduli, which we have feen established in Bætica, appear to have extended hither be-

\* The invalids throughout the empire were also called Emeriti, or Beneficiarii Augusti, because, besides sounding this city in Spain, Augustus instituted sunds for their support. This is illustrated by the annexed inscription, preserved at Nimes among many others, and reported by Menard and Gruter.

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XX. BRITANNIC. BEN.

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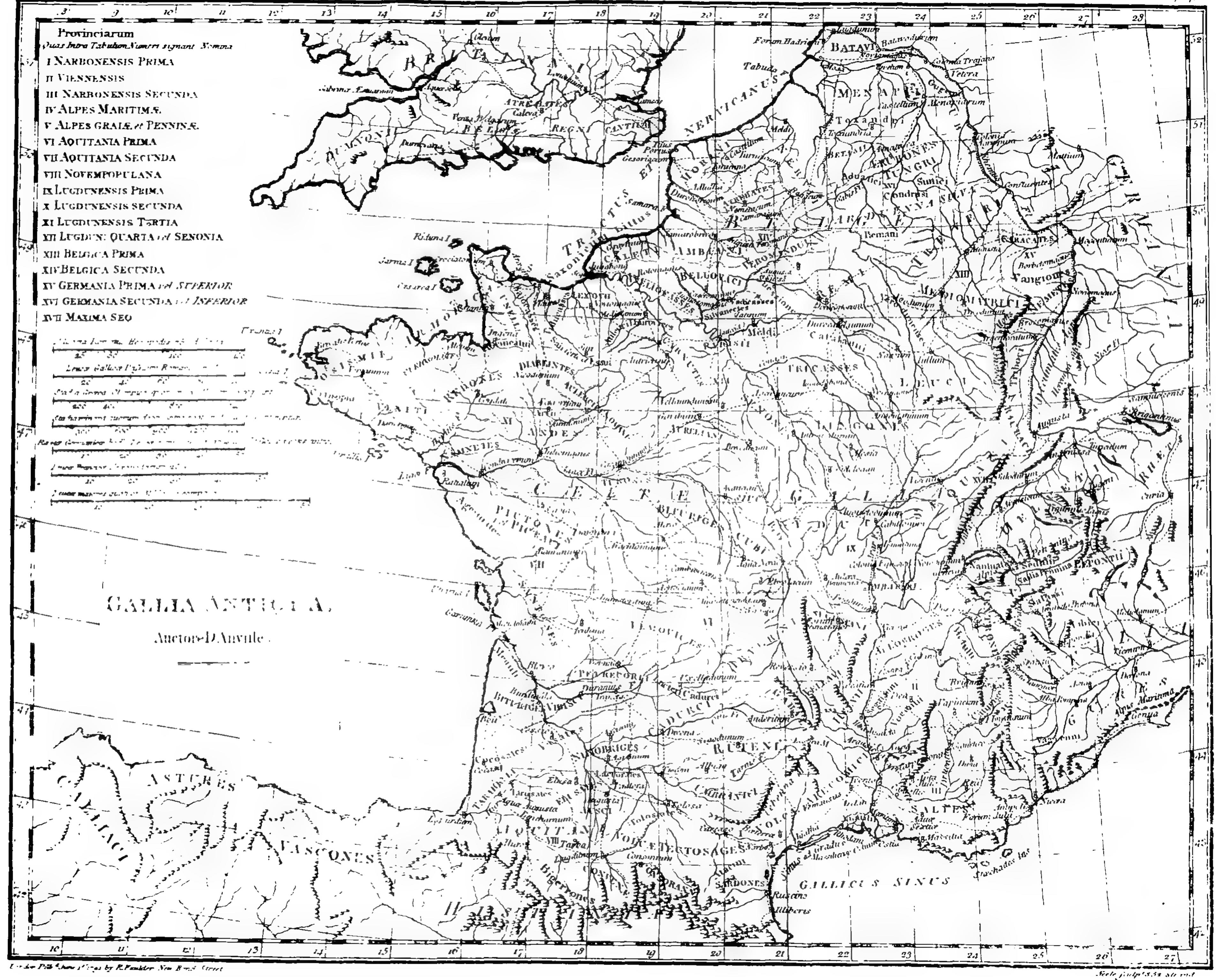
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PIETATIS ET SIBI VIVA P.

fore this city was attributed to the Vettones. Ascending a little higher we find Metallinum, sufficiently apparent in the name of Medellin.

The fouthern part of Lusitania bordering on the Ocean between the Tagus and the Anas, remains yet to be described. It was occupied by the Celtici, who appear to have had some possessions even beyond the Anas. We may add, that a detached part of this nation was cantoned far distant in the neighbourhood of Finisterre, which, besides the name of Artabrum, was also called Celticum. The principal city in the region of Lusitania, which makes the present object of discussion, to judge by the dignity or head of a Conventus, was Pax Julia; the name of which having been altered in the time of the Maures into that of Bakilia, is now hardly to be recognized in Béja. The name of Ebora is preserved in that of Evora, to the north of Béja; and proceeding still further north, we find the vestiges of Meidobriga in Armenha, a town in the neighbourhood of mount Herminius, very near the limits of Portugal. Turning towards the fouth, we perceive Myrtilis subsisting in Martola, on the bank of the Guadiana; and inclining towards the coast, we shall meet with

with Salacia, in the name of Alcacerdo-sal, which signifies the castle of salt. Bordering on the sea, near Setubal, was Ceto-briga, which is thought to owe its name to the fisheries on the coast. This extremity of the continent of. Spain forming an acute angle, was called by the Latin term of Cuneus, or the wedge; but took the name of Algarve under the Maures; Garb in the Arabic language signifying the west; and from it comes the name of Garbino, for the fouth-west wind in the Mediterranean. The vulgar opinion among the ancients, that opposite the Sacrum Promontorium, now Cape St. Vincent, which is the point of Algarve, the sun terminating his course plunged into the sea, particularly distinguished this point of land from others more advanced towards the west. Among the cities of the Cuneus, Lacobriga existed near Lagos, Osonoba near Faro; and it is thought that Balfa might be ascribed the situation of Tavira, which follows at no great distance from the mouth of the Anas, the termination of Lusitania. We know that it is a common practice to confound the limits of Lusitania with those of modern Portugal; and, in truth, the greatest part of this kingdom coincides with them. But it may be remarked, that Portugal, passing on one side beyond the confines of Lusitania, by the two provinces which are north of the Doiro, does not comprehend, on the other, the extension of Lusitania among the Vettones; inasmuch as Merida, which was heretofore the capital of the Roman province, is not now a Portuguese city.



II.

# G A L L A.

AUL, bounded by the sea from the north to the west, was limited on the eastern fide only by the Rhine, in the whole extent of its course. The chain of the Alps succeeded thence to the Mediterranean: the coast of this sea, and then the Pyrenees, terminated the southern part. Thus we may remark that France does not occupy the whole extent of ancient Gaul, seeing the excess of this on the side of the Rhine and Alps. Few countries are so advantageously intersected with rivers. To give some detail of them, we must begin with the Mesella, as discharging itself into the Rhine, which we have just mentioned. The Mosa, the Meuse, flowing northward as well as the Rhine, which receives, before it arrives at the sea, a branch emanating from that river under the name of Vahaldis; and Scaldis, the Scheldt, is connected towards

towards its mouth with that of the Meuse. In quitting the northern part of Gaul, Sequana, the Seine, which, among other rivers, receives the Matrona, the Marne, and, after a confiderable interval Ligea, the Loire, which running to the north to reflect itself again westward, is augmented by the Elaver, or Alier; Garumna, the Garonne, which, before opening a confiderable gulph at its mouth, receives the Duranius, or Dordogne; and finally, the Aturus, or Adour, near the Pyrenees; are the rivers which we may cite preferably to others, as being the principal ones which the Western Ocean receives from Gaul. On the side of the Mediterranean, Rhodames, the Rhone, carries away with it three rivers, whose names were Arar, Isara, and Druentia, now the Soane, the Isere, and the Durance. We refrain at present from enumerating the less considerable rivers that the ancients were acquainted with in Gaul, as the more analytic description of the country will give occasion to indicate some of them. Among the mountains which are to be mentioned, the Cebenna preserves its name in that of Cevennes; that of fura is not changed, and Vogesus is Vosge. Branches detached from the principal ridge of the Alps, and which cover considerable tracts of country,

to particular provinces of Gaul. On the coast of the Ocean, the Gobæum Promontorium, which is the Finisterre, or Land's End of Bretagne, and the Itium, which contracts the strait called the Pas de Calais, are those which antiquity surnishes.

Three great nations, Celta, Belga, and Aquitani, distinguished by language as by customs, divided among them the whole extent of Gaul; but in a manner very unequal. The Celts occupied more than half of it, from the Seine and the Marne to the Garonne, extending eastward to the Rhine, towards the upper part of its course, and in the south to the Mediterranean. They were also more Gallic than the others: for the Belgæ, at the northern extremity, and bordering on the Lower Rhine, were mingled with Germanic nations; and the Aquitani, enclosed between the Garonne and the Pyrenees, had much affinity with the Iberian or Spanish nations of the neighbouring mountains. The reader must also be informed, that the name of Celtæ, and of Celtica, extended to Gaul in general, being that given by the nation to themselves. It is from the Romans that we learn to call them

them Galli, and their country Gallia\*. The Roman policy of having allies beyond the limits of their provinces, and the pretext of succouring the city of Marseille, and the Eduian people, caused the Roman armies to enter Gaul a hundred and twenty years before the Christian æra. This first attempt put Rome in possession of a province, which bordering the left bank of the Rhine to the sea, extended itself on the other side to the mountains of Cevennes, and thence along the sea to the Pyrenees. It was at first distinguished by the generic name of Provincia, being only surnamed Braccata, from a garment worn by the natives, which covered their thighs: at the same time the name of Comata was given to Celtic Gaul, because the people inhabiting it wore long hair. What remained of Gaul, and which was by much the greatest part, was a conquest reserved for Cæsar, more than sixty years after the precedent. The limits of the three nations were then such as we have reported.

But Augustus holding the states of Gaul in

<sup>\*</sup> The nation were called Ghaël (plural) by themselves. Citai is the Greek denomination for them, and Galli the Roman: as we are called English by ourselves, Anglois by the French, and Inglese by the Italians.

the 27th year before the Christian æra, made a new division of it, in which he shewed more attention to equality in the extent of provinces than to any distinction of the several people that inhabited them. Thus the nation of Aquitam, who were before limited to the Garonne, were made to communicate their name to a province which encroached upon the Celtæ, as far as the mouth of the Loire; and that which the Celtæ had contiguous to the Rhine was taken into the limits of a province called Belgica. Lugdunum, a colony founded after the death of Julius, and before the Triumvirate, gave the name of Lugdunensis, or the Lionoise, to what remained of Celtic Gaul; whilst the Roman province took that of Narbonensis, or Narbonoise. It is according to this division in four principal provinces that the following description of Gaul shall be detailed. But as each of these provinces in the succession of time formed many others, insomuch that in about 400 years their number augmented to seventeen, and as we have a particular interest in being acquainted with them, they will be found comprised under the greater divisions to which each belongs; although referring to an age posterior to that which furnishes the reigning objects in ancient geography.

The government of the church in Gaul having conformed itself to that of the state, the ecelesiastical provinces, if we except those formed by the elevation of a few cities to the dignity of metropolitan sees, correspond with this division of civil provinces under the Lower Empire. This conformity extends even to the particular cantons of which each province was composed, the ancient cités, or communities, corresponding for the most part with the ancient dioceses. Places which are given under the name of Fines, terminations, contribute to shew a correspondence of limits. The reader must moreover be apprifed, that the term communities \*, civitates, as used here, does not include the idea ordinarily fignified by that of civitas; but is specially employed to denote the districts or territories of the several distinct people, who were very numerous in the extent of Gaul.

From this connection between its ancient and modern state, we may infer that this great province has suffered less alteration in its constitution by the revolutions which have followed the fall of the Roman empire, than other parts of the same.

In the original cités, which, for the sake of distinction, I have thus translated. And whenever, in the course of this work, metropolis occurs, an ecclesiastical, not a civil, dignity is to be understood.

## NARBONENSIS.

It feems reasonable to begin with that province which was first formed in Gaul, and which, being fashioned more particularly to the manners of the reigning people, still preserves, in the vulgar dialect, more resemblance to the Roman language than the provinces detached towards the north, where this language might have been less familiar, or less pure in its use. In the multiplication of the number of provinces, we diftinguish five under this article, entitled Narbonensis. We see, at the commencement of the fourth century, a province, under the name of Vienensis, separated from the Narbonoise, and this again divided into two provinces, distinguished into first and second, by the name of the primitive. The people cantoned in the Alps, the greatest part of whom were not subjected to the yoke till after the sirst establishment of the Roman dominion in Gaul, composed two provinces; one under the name of Alpes Maritimæ, because they touched the sea; the other more remote upon the declivity of the Greek and Pennine Alps, and hence called Alpes Graia & Pennina.

The province distinguished by the name of

Narbonensis prima, and of which the extent accords, generally speaking, with that now named Languedoc, was for the most part occupied by two confiderable people; the Volcae Arecomaci, towards the Rhone; and the Volcae Tectosages, towards the Garonne. One of the most distinguished cities of Gaul, Nemausus, Nimes, was comprised among the first; and Tolosa, Toulouse, among the second. Narbo, with the surname of Martius, a colony founded in the first years of the formation of a Roman province, and a considerable city independently of its rank in the province, communicated with the sea by a canal drawn from the river Atax, or Aude. Agatha, Agde, of Massilian foundation;  $B\alpha$ terræ, Bezier; Carcaso, Carcassone; and further up the country Lutera, Lodeve; are the cities to be mentioned here. Northward of the Arecomaci were the Helvii, covered by the mountainous bank of the Rhone, in the territory which now composes the diocese of Viviers; and their capital, called Aiba Augusta, retains some vestiges in a village named Alps. The Sardones occupied Roussillon, at the foot of the Pyrenees, which owes its name to the principal city of this people, Ruscino, whose site near Perpignan is well known. Illibris, which had been a considerable

city in this canton, took the name of Helena, which is now Elne, and whose episcopal see is translated to Perpignan. We may add, that the Consoranni, who have given their name to Couseran, may be comprised in the Narbonoise, rather than in one of the Aquitanian provinces.

Viennensis extended on the left bank of the Rhône, from its issue out of lake Lemanus, or of Geneva, to its mouth. Vienna, from which it derived its name, was distinguished as the capital of a great people, before its elevation to the rank of a metropolis of a province: the most considerable of the Allobroges\* quitting their villages, had formed this city of Vienne, and occupied the principal part of what from the Dauphins of Viennoise is called Dauphiné. They extended in Savoy as far as the position of Geneva; which was one of their cities. Cularo ought to be ascribed to them rather than to any other people. This city taking the name of Grationopolis, from the emperor Gratian, is still recognized under that of Grenoble. The Voconti were adjacent on the fouth; having for their

<sup>\*</sup> Or All-Boroughs in their own language, a name that manifests their Gothic origin. They are characterized by ancient writers as perfusa gens montibus: and even now there are sewer cities in Dauphiné than in any district of the same extent in France.

principal city Vasio, or Vaison, and extending on the Drome, whose ancient name is Druna: Dea, or Die, was included in their circuit. Between this territory and the Rhône, the Segalauni possessed Valentia, Valence; and the Trecastini, a city named Augusta, now St. Paul-Trois-Châteaux. The Cavares occupied to the Durance this part of Provence called the Comtat; where Arauso is Orange; Avenio\*, Avignon; Car-

\* There is a position in this neighbourhood that merits notice. On the western bank of the Rhône, between Orange and Avignon, and about eight miles from the latter, is a town built upon a rock, which in the name of Roquemaure, the translation of its ancient denomination of Rupis Maurensis, perpetuates the memory of Hannibal's passage of that river in his famous expedition. Hannibal having crossed the Rhône, ascended by its bank as far as the mouth of the liere, called by hutorians, the Island; where, after fettling a fuccession difputed between two brothers, he turned to the right to cross the Alps; and directing his route over the fite of the modern town of Vizille, about two leagues fouth of Grenoble, entered the valley of Bourg d'Oisans, where runs the little river Romanche; ascended mount Lens; then Lauteret; crossed the Durance (here but a brook) at Briançon; ascended the mounts Genevre, Sezanne, and Sestries, successively; and at length gained the summit of the Fenestrelle; where after causing his army to view the plains of Piedmont, he descended by the valley of Pignerol in the beginning of September; five months and fifteen days after leaving the winter quarters of Carthagena in Spain, with this than half the number that had crossed the Rhône.

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pentoracte, Carpentras; and Cabellio, Cavillon. South of the Durance, the Salyes, whom we shall have occasion to cite particularly in speaking of the second Narbonoise, were terminated by the bank of the Rhône. Arelate, Arles, prevailed over all other cities in this canton: the emperor Honorius having transferred thither the feat of the pretorian prefecture of Gaul, when Treves, facked by the barbarians, was no longer in a state to maintain this pre-eminence. It is a little above Arles that the river divides itself into two arms, to form two principal mouths called Gradus, now Les Graus du Rhone\*.

Marius,

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\* The Gradus Rhodani appears thus in the Antonini Itinerarium Maritimum.

A MASSILLIA GRÆCORUM INCARO POSITIO MP. XII AB INCARO DILIS POSITIO VIII A DILIS FOSSIS MARIANIS PORTUS XX A FOSSIS AD GRADUM MASSILIATANUM FLUVIUS XVI RHODANUS

A GRADU PER ILUMEN RHODANUM ARELATUM XXX

With the following note: "Enim antiquitus vocati videntur pontes ad littus, aut fluminum ripas constrati, ex quibus naves commodiore ingressu conscenderentur ad navigandum, et ad quos adpellerent. Edit. Wess. Amstel. 1635."

Hence it appears that the proper translation of the word is a quay, or mole; but as this was thirty miles below Arles, if any such there were, it could not be for the purposes of E 2

Marius, in his war with the Cimbri, opened a canal from the left of these Gradus to the sea. Before speaking of Marseille, we may mention Maritima, or Martigues, at the entrance of a great lake, or lagune, communicating with the fea. Massilia, founded by Greeks of Phocia, a maritime city of Ionia, about fix hundred years before the Christian æra, had long preserved in a foreign land its original manners; and was not less distinguished by the cultivation of Greek literature than by its commerce, which had rendered it sufficiently powerful to form establishments on the neighbouring coasts. To the territories of this city extended the province of the Viennoise, according to the state which is furnished us of the provinces of Gaul.

There is no mention of the second Narbonoise before the fourth century was well ad-

merchandize, but must only have been as station for ships waiting for a fair wind, or a shelter from bad weather. It is more reasonable to conclude that the word, deslected from its original meaning by usage, came to signify the mouth of a river in general, as we find it also applied to the mouths of many rivers in Spain and Italy, and which are still called Gras, or Grads. But it appears that there were actual gradus, or quays, at the ports of Alexandria, Sinope, Amisus, and others in Asia, and which may be the origin of the term Echelle, that the French peculiarly use in speaking of the ports in the Levant.

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vanced. Aix was its metropolis, which owed its foundation to Sextius Calvinus; who, in the first expeditions of the Romans in Gaul, reduced the Salyes, or Saluvii, a powerful nation, who extended from the Rhône along the fouthern bank of the Durance, almost to the Alps; and with whom the Massilians had long to contend. To speak only of the principal places on the coast, we shall cite Telo Martius, Toulon, now so celebrated for its port; Forum Julii, Frèjus, a distinguished colony and port, excavated by art to contain a Roman fleet in station, near the mouth of the Argenteus, or the little river Argens; and Antipolis, Antibes, founded by the Massilians. On this coast three islands. ranged on the same line, bore, for this reason, the Greek name of Stachades, and are now called Isles d'Iéres, from a place situated on the continent. In the interior country the Reii, previously named Albiæci, bordered on the left bank of the Durance, to the north of the Salyes, and the town of Reiz preserves their name. There remain three cities to be cited in the second Narbonoise; Apta Julia, Apt; Segustero, Sisteron on the Durance; and Vapincum, Gap, which would appear to have been detached from the limits of a nation of whom the province

vince of Alpes Maritimæ will give us occasion to speak.

This province, inclosed between the precedent and a chain of the Alps, reached to the sea, at the entrance of the Var, and at the foot of the Alpis called Maritima; which beyond this river bore a trophy erected to Augustus, for having subjected the people of the Alps between the two feas which embrace Italy. For, although the Var may be cited as separating Gaul from Italy, the fummit of the mountains whence the waters flow on each fide properly constitutes their natural limits; and the city of Nice, Nicaca, founded by the Massilians, and its county, was not actually detached from Provence till about four centuries ago. The metropolis of the maritime Alps, Ebrodurum, Embrun, has preferved its archiepiscopal dignity in the province. It must here be mentioned, that all this country in the neighbourhood of the fea, and penetrating confiderably into the Alps, was occupied by divers people of a nation which we shall see powerful through the extent of Italy, under the name of Lizures. The Salyes, of whom we have already spoken, derived their origin from them; and in the earliest age the shore of the Mediterranean, to the entrance of Iberia, be-

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longed to this nation. Ascending the country, we may cite Dinia, Digne, to remark, that before the reign of Galba this city was not comprifed in the province; of which the most considerable people were the Caturiges, towards the beginning of the Durance: and it is by alteration of this name that a little place fituated between Embrun and Gap is now called Chorges. A prince named Cottius, whose residence was at Segufio, or Suza, and who was maintained by Augustus in the possession of a little state composed of many people, cantoned in the Alps, had communicated his name to the Alpis Cottia, which was Mount Genèvre, where the Durance takes its source, not far from Brigantio, or Briançon. Alpis Graia is the little St. Bernard, and the great St. Bernard is the Alpis Pennina; the name of which is derived from a term employed in several languages, denoting the summit of a mountain, as it is applied to the Apennine,\* which

<sup>\*</sup> To this may be added the Cobonna of Gaul. In all the dialects of the Celtic, penn is the appellative term for the head. Hence the Celtic parts of Great-Britain being the most mountainous of it, abound in penns: as Pennryn, Pennzance, in Cornwall; Pennrise, Pennmanmaure emphatically (Maure signifying great in Gaëlic), in Wales; Ben-nevis in the shire of Inverness, the highest land in the island of Bri-

which detaches itself from the Alps to traverse Italy. That which is now called the Wallais.

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tain: and in Bretagne, inhabited also by the Celts, we find almost every elevated land called by this generic appellation. For example, Pennthiure and Pennmark, a noted promontory. We find mountains in France and Spain, and even in England, where our conquering ancestors changed almost every other name, retaining this, because mountains are the last parts of any country that submit to conquest. We have Penusburst in Kent, Pennsford in Somersetshire, and many others, though with Saxon terminations, as these. Penne is the name of a town and castle upon an eminence in Languedoc; Penna Gracias, another in Portugal; Pennaster in Spain; and Pennen de Velez is a sortress built by the Spaniards on a high rock upon the coast of Africa, so late as the beginning of the fixteenth century; for pena is still an appellative in the Spanish language, denoting the highest pike of a ridge. The name of Pyrenees seems to be derived from terms in two languages signifying analogous things; from HYP flamma (nence pyramid), and the Celtic penn. However this be, we may surely with confidence refer the Latin word pinna, a fin or wing, pinnæ murorum, battlements, to the same root. Yet Livy, in his refutation of the opinion that Hannibal led his army by the Pennine Alp, dreamt of the Pæni!-Miror ambigi quanam Annibal Alpes transierit, & vulgò credere Pennino, atque inde nomen ei jugo alpium inditum transgressum. And he adds, moreover, Neque Hercule montibus his ab transitu Pænorum ullo, Veragii incolæ jugi ejus norunt nomen inditum. (Lib. xxi.) And Pliny too, speaking of the double gorge of the Graian and Pennine Alps, Graiarum & Paninarum faucium: His Panos, says he, Grais Herculem transisse

at the foot of the Pennine Alp, and along the Rhône, from its source to the lake which receives it, was named Vallis Pennina. The Nantuates inhabited Chablais, and the bottom of the valley, while the Veragri were above. The principal city in this valley, Sitten, according to the Germans, and otherwise Sion, preserves in this the name of the Seduni. The Gentrones, a more considerable people, towards the consines of the Alobroges of the Viennoise, occupied the Tarantoise; deriving this name from that of Darantasia, which the city of Monstier, enjoying the prerogative of a metropolis in this province of the Alps, heretofore bore.

## LUGDUNENSIS.

This name was applied to a long band of country making the middle of Gaul, from Lug-dunum, or Lions, upon the Rhône, to the West-ern Ocean, and limited on one side by the

transiffe memorant. The truth (though of no great importance) seems to be, that this invader never saw either the position of Lions, or the Pennine Alp, but entered Italy by the Grecian and Cottian Alps; and not through their gorges, but over their more superable and less dangerous summits, as satisfactorily appears in M. Foilard's Commentaries on Polybius.

Aquitaine, and on the other by the Belgie. In the division which the four primitive provinces experienced, the Lionoise was at first parted into two, first and second; and this division did not suffer another until the fourth century had elapsed; when, in place of two Lionoises, we and four, by a subsequent dismemberment of each of the former two. Although the state of Gaul in the number of provinces, multiplied to feventeen, descend to times posterior to the principal age wherein ancient geography should be confidered; but the furvey which may be taken of each having its particular utility, as has been already remained, we shall subject the ancient Lugdung, 3 to 3 et detail of what each of these four provinces of the Lionoife feverally comprobond.

The city of Lion had been founded on the right bank of the Shane, in the territory of the Seguiand: but this was a Roman city; and the people had its capital called Forum, which preferves the name of Four, on the right bank of the Loire: being flill the capital of the province of Forey, which owes its name to the Pagus Forey's of the middle age. Rodumna, Rouane, lower down on the fame river, but on the other fide, belonged to the fame people, who were, in the

the time of Cæsar, tributary to the Edui, one of the most powerful nations of Gaul. The city that held the rank of capital among this nation, and called Bibracte, assumed under Augustus the name of Augustodunum (from which is formed that of Autun), and derived a considerable lustre from the nobility of Gaul being there instructed in literature. The Arar, of which the name in an after age was Sauconna, the Sôane, separated the Eduian nation from the Sequanois; so that Cabillonum and Matisco, Challon and Mâcon, on the right bank, belonged to this great Eduian community, who, having its western frontier on the Loire, possessed heretofore on this river a city which, under the name of Nervinum, Nivers, had been separated from it. In the dependencies on the same people, we must not forget Alesia; for though there remain of this city but the name of Alise, it reminds us of one of the greatest achievements of Cæsar, and which may ferve as an epoch of the subjugation of Gaul to the Roman power. Bordering on these were the Lingones, having for their capital Andematunum; to which it happened, as to many other cities of the same rank in Gaul (as will hereafter appear), to convert its primitive name into that of its people; and thus to be called Lingones, now Langres.

Langres. It must be observed, that this people were of Belgica before it made a part of the first Lionoise; which without this accession would have been too much diminished by the dismemberment of a new province, which its name, of the fourth Lionoise, indicates to have been last formed. And because it was immediately contiguous to that from which it had been detached, to separate entirely the first Lionoise from the second and third, it shall precede these in our description. The Senones have caused it to be distinguished by the name of Senonia, whose capital, Azedincum, after that, Schones (by the change of name whereof we have just spoken), and now Sens, has taken the rank of metropolis. Another considerable people of this province, the \*Carnutes, had for their capital Autri-

<sup>\*</sup> The capital of the Carnutes should be noted as the place where, according to Cæsar, the Druids held their annual sessions to try litigations of the nobles or aristocrats; for the more numerous part of the community, according to the same author, had no causes to try. "Plebs penè servorum habetur loco; quæ per se nihil audet & nulli adhibetur concilio." Comm. De Bello Gall. lib. iv. And in that deplorable condition they have since remained till the year 1789; for the principles of freedom introduced by the Franks with their conquest were soon forgotten. The great council

Autricum; which from their name is formed into that of Chartres. Among the Parisi, Lutecia, which an isle of the Seine incloses, has since become the queen of cities, and preserves purely the name of the people. The Aureliani were dismembered from another community more ancient. The city which preserves their name in that of Orleans, fituated advantageously on the fummit of the curvature which the course of the Loire describes, belonged to the Chartrains in Cæsar's time, under the primitive name of Genabum. The Meldi, neighbours of the Parisians, and the Tricasses, adjacent to the Senones, do not appear in Cæsar. Iatinum, among the first, preserves the name of the community, though somewhat altered in that of Meaux; and

council of their nation therefore, finding no precedent or prescription for their liberties, were sain to recur to the eternal elements of things, where they sound the "Rights of Man," that in this country have been so impiously derided. It may be remarked, that the seeds of free governments were disseminated in every country by the Gothic conquerors with various degrees of success. Some sell by the way side, others vegetated indeed to a short-lived existence; but it was only in this savoured isle that they have produced fruit. This Tree of Life has withered even in the countries where it was indigenous. How much does it behave us then to take warning by this awful example of our ancestors, and not, after transplanting a scion, to suffer the parent stock to perish!

Augustobona, on the Seine, in that of Trois, among the second. Other positions to be noted are, Autisticdurum, or Auxerre, which appears to have belonged to the Senones; Nevirnum, Nevers, taken from the Edui; Meladunum, Melun, in the Senonois territory, and which is mentioned by Cæsar.

The second Lionoise, after the third had been detached from it, was nearly comprised in the present limits of Normandy Rotomagus, Rouen, the metropolis of this province, belonged to a community whose name of Velocasses has become by alteration Vexin, which extends to the river Oise; on which the Celtic name of Briva Mare is translated in that of Pont-Oise. The Caleti, who were limited by the sea, have given their name to the Pagus Caleticus, the Pays de Caux; and the name of Juliobona, their capital, is preserved in that of Lilebone. These two people, inhabiting the northern bank of the Seine, must be referred to the Belgic nation, in the primitive state of Gaul, before they were added to the Lionoise. On the left bank of the Seine were the Aulerci Elwovices, and the Levovii. The capital of the first quitted its primitive name of Mediolanum, to be called Elurovices, whence the modern name of Evreux; and NoviNoviomagus among the Lexovii, having also taken the name of the people, is Lizicux. The previous name to that of Viducasses for the capital of a community situated on the river Olina, which is Orne, passing by Caen, is unknown. The name of Arageneus, which belonged to the little river Aure, as well as to the city of the Baircasses, who were contiguous, has been replaced by that of Baieux. The Unelli, or Ueneli, at the western extremity, had for their capital Crociatonum, whose position concurs with that of Valogenes. But another city, Constantia, has prevailed in giving the name of Côtantin to this canton of country, bounded on the fouth by the community of Abrincatui, whose capital, Ingena, preserves their name in that of Avranches. It cannot be doubted that the name of the city of Sées refers to that of Sail; though whether this be of the same antiquity with those just mentioned, is not so certain. The isles opposite Côtantin, under the names of Sarmia, Cecfacea, and Riduna, answer to those of Jersey, Guernfey, and Alderney.

We describe now the third Lionoise. It had for its metropolis *Turones*, Tours, which, previously called *Casarodunum*, had taken the name of the people of whom it was the capital: and

Juliomagus, the capital of Andes, or Andecavi, on the Meduana, or Maienne, by a similar converfion, is now named Angers. The Aulerci Cenomani have given their name to the city of Mans, which, before taking that of the Cenomani, was called Suindinum. Adjacent to these were the Diablintes, whose capital, Næodunum, having taken their name, has left that of Jublins to a place which occupies the fite of it. The fituation of Vagoritum, the capital of the Arvii, comprised also in Maine, is known by vestiges still subsisting in a place called the Cité, upon a little river named Erve. If we recognize the Redones in the name of Rennes, and the Namnetes in that of Nants, it is that these cities, according to the usage, have quitted their primitive names of Condate and Condivienum. The denomination of Condate, common to many places in Gaul, denotes a lituation in a corner of land formed by the confluence of two rivers. The territory of the Namites was confined by the Loire, whose opposite shore belonged to the Pictavi of Aquitaine; and it is separated from the Veneti by the Vilaine, which we find in antiquity under the name of Herius Fluvius. Cæsar informs us that the Veneti distinguished themselves by their power and their skill in maritime affairs. Dariorigum,

the name of their capital, has been replaced by the name of the people, which is retained in that of Vennes. Among several isles on the adjacent coast, Vindilis preceded the name which Bellisse at present bears. The territory of the Curisolites is known to have bordered on that of the Redones. The further end of the province to which the infular Brittons have given the name of Bretagne, was occupied by the Ofismii, whose capital, named Vorganium, takes the position of Karhez; and we find a people named Corisopiti in the environs of Kimper. The Brivates Portus indicates that of Brest; and Uxantes and Sena, the isles of Ushant and Sain. This last, though very small, may merit notice as having been the dwelling of priestesses revered in Gallic antiquity. We know that the people bordering upon the Ocean were denominated Armoricæ Civitates, according to the proper signification of the Celtic term ar-Mor. This general designation, but particularly applied to the inhabitants between the Seine and the Loire, confined itself at length to Bretagne, which we find exclusively mentioned under the name of Armorica.

## AQUITANIA\*.

That which in the division of Gaul by Augustus was but one province, afterwards formed three; the two Aquitaines, and Novempopulane. The capital of the Bituriges, which, after having borne the name Avaricum, took that of the people, of which the present name of Bourges is derived, was the metropolis of the first Aquitaine. This people was the most considerable of Gaul, and appears to have been governed by a king when the multitude of Gauls passed the

\* It might be deemed impertinent to recommend to the notice of the English reader a word of such extensive etymon as that of man, if we did not frequently overlook the familiar in our fearch after the remote. All the gentile names that we find ending in ani are only the Roman modification of this word: as Aquitani, the men or inhabitants of Aque; Aureliani, the men of Aurel; Veremandui, and many others, who, though in the bosom of a Gaëlic country, hence denote their Gothic origin. To these we may add the Romani, or men of Romulus. We find the word used in composition of names of people in Afiatic countries, whence our ancestors issued: as Mussulman, Turkoman, as well as Englishman, German, and Norman. The Greek appellative ANH'P, quan MANH'P, is of this root. It is curious to find Tacitus speaking English when informing us of the mythology of German ancestors; who, he says, derive their origin from Tuisca (hence Otos Deus), who produced the earth, or, as he calls it, Hertha, who produced Mannus, the parent of nations.

Rhine and the Alps, to establish themselves in Germany and Italy, about fix hundred years before the Christian æra. We have two Biturigean people; the principal, which is that of the Bevii, distinguished by the surname of Cubi; the other, surnamed Vibisci, in the second Aquitaine. The Arverni were a very powerful nation when the Romans invaded Gaul. We know that one of their cities, named Gergovia, obstinately resisted the efforts of Cæsar to become master of it. Vestiges of it are still visible not far from Clermont, the capital of Auvergne, which has replaced in situation, as well as in dignity, Augustonemetum, the capital of the Arverni. Two communities immediately contiguous to the precedent, and dependent on this province in Cæsar's time, follow in natural order; the Gabali and the Vellavi, who have given their name to the Gevaudin and the Vellai. The capital of the first, named Anderitum, having taken the name of the people, is scarcely to be recognized in that of Javols, an inconsiderable town, that occupies its site. Revessio, the capital of the other, to which the name of the people was likewise communicated, has taken that of Saint Paulin. The Ruteni occupied the province of Rouergue; and the name of Segodunum, their capital, having assumed that of the people,

people, has at length declined into Rodez. We see the Ruteni in a former age in Narbonoise, as well as in Aquitaine: but those which Cæsar calls \* Provinciales, as being of the Roman province, can, in conformity with local circumstances, be only placed in the Albigeois, whose principal city, Albiga, Albi, made thereafter a community of the first Aquitaine. Querci, adjacent to Rouergue, and Cahors, its capital, owe equally their names to the Cadurci; and in the alteration of this name there is the same diversity between that of the city and province, as the Ruteni observed in the names of Rouergue and Rodez; remarking withal, that from the name of Bituriges have equally descended the several denominations of Berri and Bourges. The primitive name of the city of the Cadurci was Divona; and that of the river whereon it was seated being Oltis, ought to be written L'Olt, and not Lot, according to the vulgar orthography. The name, Tarnis, of another river, which discharges itself into the Garonne, continues uncorrupted in that of Tarn. We must not forget a place of the Cadurci belieged by Cælar, Uxellodunum, whose name and situation are recog-

<sup>\*</sup> These people are denominated Eleutheri in Du Fresnoi's Catalogue, probably from their participating the rights of Roman citizens.

nized in Puech d'Issolu, not far from the Dordogne, on the frontier of Lemousin. The Lemovices, who have given their name to the province as well as to the city of Limoges, primitively called Augustorium, occur the last in the route which we have followed in the survey of Aquitania Prima.

Aquitania Secunda had for its metropolis Burdigala, Bourdeaux, among the Bituriges Vibisci, who were not of Aquitanian origin. The Meduli, whose territory lay between the Gironde and the mouth of the Garonne, have given their name to Medoc. From the name of the Petrocorii are formed those of Perigord and Perigueux; though Vejuna, the primitive name of the capital, is still retained in the quarter of this city called La Visone. The name of Agenois, on the other hand, is derived from that of the city, Aginnum, Agen; it having prevailed over the gentile name of Nitobriges. The Santones adjacent to the sea, and north of the Gironde, have given their name to the province of Saintonge, and to the city of Saintes, whose primitive name was Mediolanum. Iculisna, Angoulême, not having any appropriate people that we can find, is best referred to those who occupy the Saintonge. Carantonus was the name of the Charente, which

traverses this part of the country; and opposite its mouth, Uliarius is the isle of Oleron. The vast territory of the Pictones, or Pictavi, extended thence to the Loire: from their name are formed those of Poictu and Poitiers. Limonum was the anterior name of their capital. In this extent of the ancient Pictavi towards the mouth of the Loire, they had a city, whose name of Rotiatum remains to the country of Retz. It may be added, that a particular people, under the name of Agesinates, was comprised in this territory; and the district of an archdeaconry named Aisenai, in the bishopric of Luçon, dismembered from that of Poitiers, indicates this portion of the Pictavi.

What remains to us of Aquitaine between the Garonne and the Pyrenees, corresponds in a general manner to the country occupied by the Aquitani, in the first national division of Gaul.

The name of Novempopulana, which this part of the province of Aquitaine assumed, seems to indicate that it was composed of nine people, whom however we shall not seek to distinguish in the number of those that inhabited it. The Elusates and Ausci appear to have held the first rank. Eiusa, Euse, was their metropolis, before this dignity was translated to Auch, which did

not bear the name of the Ausci till after being called Augusta, having also the name of Climberris in the dialect of the country. Mention must be made of the Sotiates, spoken of by Cæsar, and whom we find in a place named Sos. The Vasates have given their name to Bazas, which was before called Cossio. A small community, named Boii, is represented in the Buies of the Pays de Buch, contiguous to the sea; and the resin furnished by their pines caused them to be called Piceos Bosos\*. Between this territory and the Pyrenees were the Jarbelli, whose capital was Aquæ Augustæ, now Aqs. Lapurdum, which has left its name to Labourd on taking that of Baione, was included in this community. Beneharnum, a city of which there are no visible remains, has given its name to the principality of Bearn. Iluoro is Oloran in this province. Vicus Juli, or Atures, is Aère on the Aturus, or Adour. Towards one of the extremities of the Novempopulane, Lactora is Leitour. Finally, at the foot of the Pyrenees, the Bigerrones have given their name to Bigorre; and Tarba to the city of Tarbe; the Convener to the Pays de Cominges, whose capital, Lugdunum, is now St.

<sup>\*</sup> In a letter from St. Paulin to Ausonius. D.

Bertrand; as that of the Conforanni, or Couserans, has taken the name of St. Lizier.

It was this Aquitaine proper, in the national division, that the Vascons from beyond the mountains over-ran, communicating to it the name of Gascogne; while that of Aquitaine is perpetuated, with some alteration, in Guienne.

## BELGICA.

From the fouthern extremity of Aquitaine, we must return northward to terminate our description of Gaul in the most distant part of it. In the multiplication of provinces we diftinguish two Belgics, two Germanies, and a fifth province called the Great Sequanoise. The capital of the Treveri, after having borne the name of Augusta, took that of the people, and became the metropolis of Belgica Prima. It also became a Roman colony, and served as the residence of several emperors, whom the care of superintending the defence of this frontier retained in Gaul. It was an object of vanity with this people to be esteemed of Germanic origin\*. The Sar, which the Moselle receives

<sup>\*</sup> Treveri ac Nervii circa adfectationem Germanicæ ori-

ceives a little above Treves, is known in ancient geography under the name of Saravus. The Mediomatrici, bordering on the Treveri, had for their capital Divodus um, which has since taken the name of Metis, Metz. The Leuci extended thence to the Vogesus Mons, their capital preserving its ancient name of Tullum in that of Toul. Verodunum, Verdun, becomes a particular community in this division of Belgica.

The second province under this name furnishes a greater number of communities. The Remi were distinguished by their inclination to the Romans, under the government of Cæsar; and Durocortorum, their capital, which taking the name of the people, subsisting in that of Reims, was elevated to the rank of metropolis in Belgica Secunda. There is no mention of the Catalauni till after Cæsar: and Châlon upon the Marne, in its name, preserves their memory. The capital of the Suessiones, strictly connected with the community of the Remi, had taken the name of Augusta, which that of the people having supplanted, is now recognized in Soissons. The river Aisne, which passes by it, is Axona

ginis ultro ambitiosi sunt; tanquam per hane gloriam sanguinis a similitudine et inertia Gallorum separetur.

Tacit. de Mor. German. cap. xxviii.

in the monuments of the Roman age. The Veromandui have given their name to Vermandois; and their capital, to which the name of Augusta belonged, is St. Quintin. In the name of Beauvais are known the Bellovaci, who enjoyed the reputation of superior bravery among the Belgic nations. Their capital was Cafaromagus, before it took the name of the people; and it should not be confounded with Bratuspantium, mentioned in Cæsar. The Silvanectes, who were restrained to narrow limits contiguous to the Bellswaci, do not appear till after the time of Cæsar. They have changed in their capital the name of Augustomagus, for that which was proper to them, though it be scarcely discernible under its present form of Senlis. The Ambiani had given to their city the name of Samaro-briva, because the Somme was there passed on a bridge; but the name of the people having prevailed, it subsists in that of Amiens. This canton of Belgica, but more especially the community of the Bellovaci, was distinguished by Cæsar in the name of Belgium. The Atrebates, limited by the territory of Amiens, or comprised in it, called their city Nemetacum, otherwise Nemetocenna; which having adopted the name of the people, is become Arras, or, as the Flemings call it, Atrecht.

Atrecht. This community, which has given its name to the province of Artois, did not however occupy the whole of it. A part belonged to the Morini, who, dwelling on the shore, took this name from their maritime situation. Taruenna. Terouenne, was their capital. Extending in Flanders, they had a place called Castellum, which preserves the name of Cassell. The particular territory of Bononia, or Boulogne, which was named at first Gesoriacum, was an appendage to that of the Morini; and the Portus Itius, which the embarkation of Cæsar for the island of Britain has rendered famous, is Witland upon the fame coast. The Nervii, a powerful nation, who affected to be thought of Germanic origin, had for their capital in the center of Hainau, Bagacum, Bavia, which appears to have declined from its rank towards the end of the fourth century, when Camaracum, Cambrai, and Tournacum, Tournai, had prevailed in this country, which the Nervians occupied. But it must be added, that the dependencies of the Nervians extended in Flanders to the sea, the strand of which was there called Nervicanus Trastus; and the Sambre, the river of their territory, is mentioned under the name of Sabis.

The two Germanies in the distribution of Bel-

gica are of more ancient date than any subdivifion that Gaul experienced after the capital division of it into four provinces under Augustus. We may even, without hesitation, refer them to the reign of Tiberius. This frontier, exposed to the enterprises of warlike nations beyond the Rhine, demanded for its protection particular precautions on the part of the Roman government; and under the command of Drusus more than fifty fortresses were constructed along the river. The province of Sequanoise, called Maxima Sequanorum, dismembered too from Belgica, although not of fuch high antiquity, precedes the Germanies in geographical order. For the same reason of relative situation, these were distinguished into higher and lower, and into first and second withal. The Sequani formed a considerable community between the Saône, mount Vosque, and mount Jura; which last separates them from the Helvetic territories. Their dependencies in the time of Cæsar even reached to the Rhine. Extending their name to a province, it was natural that Vejontio, or Besançon, their capital, should become the metropolis of it. Cæsar describes the position of this city as almost enveloped by the river Dubis, as it now is by the Doux. The Helvetii extended from Geneva

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upon the Rhône, to the lake which takes the name of the city of Constance. The respective limits of the four cantons, into which this nation, distinguished by bravery, was distributed, are not now to be ascertained. We are undeceived however in the supposed identity of the Tigurinus Pagus with Zurich; since we are instructed by a Roman inscription, that the name of this place was not Tigurum, but Turicum. The principal city of the Helvetii was Aventicum, the fite of which still retains the name of Avenche. A Roman colony, under the name of Equestris, otherwise Noidunum, retains its Celtic denomination in that of Nion, on the borders of lake Leman, or of Geneva. Vindonissa, which only exists in the name of Windisch, was a place which translated to Constance its episcopal dignity. We may mention Salodurum, as being Soleur: and terminate the Sequanoise, by describing the Rauraci. Between the Sequanoise and the Rhine, they occupied the environs of the flexure which that river makes at the city of Basse, after that part which afforded the Sequani communication with the river had ceased to belong to them. A colony founded among the Rauraci, called Augusta, placed a little above Basse, has profited by the decline of that city to become considerable, and still subsists under the name of Augst.

The first, or Upper Germany immediately succeeds to this territory. Three Germanic people, the Triboci, Nemetes, and Vangiones, having passed the Rhine, established themselves between this river and the Vosge, in the lands which were believed to make part of the territory of the Leuci and Mediomatrici. Argentoratum, Strafbourg, was the residence of a particular commander or prefect of this frontier; although another city, Brocomagus, now Brumt, be mentioned as the capital of the Tribocians. Among the Nimetes, who come next, the principal city was named Noviomagus, before there was mention of it under the name of the people; and which, from a little river that discharges itself into the Rhine, has taken that of Spire. The capital of the Vangiones, to which their name had likewise been communicated, was primitively called Borbetomagus, but its present name is Worms. Minniiacum, Mentz, was the metropolis of a province, and the residence of a general, whose command extended along the Rhine from Saletio, Seltz, to Antunnacum, Andernach. Below Mentz are Bingium, Bingen, at the confluence of a river named Nava, now Nahe; and Confluentes, Coblentz.

lentz, where the Rhine receives the Moselle in the territory of the Treveri. In Lower Germany, the bank of the Rhine was occupied by the Ubii and the Gugerni, two Germanic people, who had transported themselves, under the reign of Augustus, to the hither or Belgic side of the river. Colonia Agrippina, founded among the Ubians in the reign of Claudius, was the metropolis of this province. Bonna, Bonn, Novesium, Nuys, are the places to be cited among the same people: and among the Gugerni, we shall mention a post spoken of in history under the name of  $V_{e-}$ tera, now Santen, and Colonia Trajana, reduced to an inconsiderable hamlet named Koln, near Cleves. But the fecond Germany did not confine itself to the country between the rivers. The community of the Tungri gave it a considerable extension on this side the Meuse. The Eurones, of German origin, and who appear to have been annihilated by Cæsar, in vengeance of the fate of a Roman legion that had been flaughtered by this nation, occupied the country which was after them held by the Tungri. These were also of Germanic race; and their principal post, called Atuatuca, having taken the name of the people, remains in that of Tongres. On the confines of this people and the Treveri extended a great forest, which,

which, according to Cæsar, continued from the limits of the Nervii to the Rhine, under the name of Arduenna; and one of the cantons which it embraced retains in the name of Condras that of the Condrust; of whom there is mention in Cæsar as dependents on the Treveri. The northern part of what is now called Brabant belonged to the Menapii; who, extending to the Rhine, had a fortress on the Meuse, whose name of Castellum sublists in Kessel. But we find after them the Toxandri established in the province now called Campine: and the mouths of the Scheldt limited the Lower Belgica on the fide of Lower Germany. The Batavi belonged incontestably to Gaul, which they terminated. The ground called Insula Batavorum, part of which retains the name of Betaw, was included between the branch detached from the Rhine to the left, called Vahaldis, or Wahal, and that which, flowing to the right, preserved the name of Rhenus. Drusus had drawn from the Rhine a canal called Fossa Drust, below the separation of the Wahal. This canal conveyed a sufficient quantity of water to form, by the course of the Issel, to which it was joined, a great lake called Flevo. And this was the first cause (historically speaking) of the diminution of this branch of

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the Rhine, which we now see has not power to reach the ocean. In the first rank among the Batavian cities was Lugdunum, which keeps its name in that of Leyden. Re-ascending the Rhine, we recognize the position of Batavodurum in Durstadt, and Noviomagus in Nimeguen.

If the reader recollect the great number of particular people that Gaul contains, and who by their equality of rank are competitors for admiffion into this detail, he will be convinced that it could not be more abridged without suffering mutilation. But if there be any who wish to see the subject more amply treated, they may recur to a particular work \* on the geography of Gaul, by the same author.

<sup>\*</sup> Notice de la Gaul.

### III.

## BRITANNIA\*.

HE Britannic Island was the greatest of the world known to the ancients; and if it be not really the greatest, other advan-

The Translator hopes no apology will be thought necessary for his insertion of the following etymologies. Mr. James Macpherson observes, that the Roman names of places in Gaul and Britain, however disguised by the writers of the continent, may with the utmost facility be traced to their original meaning, in the language spoken at this day by their posterity in the northern extremity of this island. The name of the island itself was imputed by the Cimbri, who were the second that emigrated from the continent; and who, coming from the flat country of Belgium, called the comparatively losty shores of Kent Braight-ain, which in their dialect of the Celtic signifies the high island. Thus Braidalbin is the name of the most elevated district in North Britain.

Alba, or Albin, the name by which the Scots have from immemorial antiquity distinguished their division of the island, is also from a word signifying the same quality in their dialect; vantages which prevail over those of extent, make it by much the most considerable of islands. Notwithstanding the irregularity of its contour, the triangular figure which Cæsar ascribes to it from hearsay is sufficiently applicable to it. But he was moreover well enough informed concerning the inequality of its sides; the south one of which, less extended than the other two, seems to serve them as a base. Cantium\*, on

Alb or Alp, high, and In or Ain, invariably an island. Cantium is derived from Canti, the end (of the island); the Belgiæ, from Belgen, a party-coloured tribe, hence by analogy a mixt people; Bolerium, from Bel-ir, the western rock; Ordovices, from Ord-tuavich, northern mountaineers; Brigantes, Brigand, plunders; Durotriges, from Dur-treig, the sea tribe; the Selgovæ, from Selgovick, hunters, and metaphorically freebooters; Gadeni, from Gadechin, robbers; Mæatæ, from Moi-atta, inhabitants of the plains; Dimætæ, from Di-moi-atta, inhabitants of the southern plain; Dobuni, from Dobb-buni, on the bank of a river, alluding to their fituation on the banks of the Severn; Trinobantes, from Trion-oban, a marshy district, the inhabitants of Middlesex and Essex; Silures, from Siol, a race, and Urus, the river, emphatically, from the irsituation beyond the Severn. Caledonia is derived from Caël, the generic name of the nation, and Doch, a district or region; and Ghaeldoch (with a c, or an aspirated g) is the proper name by which the Scotch Highlanders call their country; Albin being rather a figurative form of speech. - " Enquiry into the Antiquities of Scotland, by James Macpherson, Esq."

<sup>\*</sup> The North Foreland.

the coast of Kent, opposite the Itium promontory of Gaul, makes one end of it; and a point of land far projected into the Western Ocean, named Bolerium Promontorium, or the Land's End\*, the other. As to the apex of this triangle, the northern point of Scotland, now named Dungsby-head, was called Orcas, a name relative to the Orcades, which are adjacent to this promontory. The name of Albion, given to the greatest of the British islands, is probably borrowed from the remotest times, when it was less known than it has fince been. Straitened in its width, its principal rivers, Tamesis and Sabrina, the Thames and the Severn, are confiderable only in their approximation to the sea. Respecting the second of these rivers, the Sabrince Æfinarium is less its mouth than a gulph of the Western Ocean penetrating deeply into the land. Although this island be mountainous almost without interruption on its western side, antiquity furnishes no particular denomination of mountains, if we except the Grampius Mons in Scotland, which an expedition of Agricola has given occasion to mention, and which appears divided into Citerior and Ulterior, or Hither and Thither.

<sup>\*</sup> Rather Cape Cornwall.

A difference of complexion observed among the inhabitants of Britain, indicated a difference of origin. It is indisputable that numerous tribes crossing over from Gaul established themselves in the southern parts of it. A great analogy in the language, identity of religion, and a conformity of manners, though less civilized in Britain than in Gaul, are an univocal testimony of affinity between the people. But the reddish hair and tall stature of the Caledonians persuaded Tacitus that these were originally from Germany; while the swarthy tint and curled locks of the Silures caused them to be deemed of Iberian origin. Cæsar, when he passed over into Britain, advanced only to the banks of the Thames, which only served, as it were, to shew him the country. Augustus, little attached to the principle of extending the limits of the empire, neglected the conquest of it: and it was not seriously invaded till the reign of Claudius, when the part nearest to Gaul, between the east and the south, was subjected. Under the reign of Domitian, the Roman armies, commanded by Agricola, penetrated even to Caledonia; that is to fay, into the centre of Scotland. The difficulty of maintaining this distant frontier against the assaults of the unconquered people, determined Adrian to contract the limits of the Roman province in Britain, and separate it from the barbarous country, by a rampart of eighty miles in length, from the bottom of the gulph called now Solway Frith, to Tinmouth, which is the entrance of a river on the eastern side of the island. Severus carried these limits further, in constructing another rampart, of thirty-two miles, in the narrowest part of the island, between Glota, or the river Clyde, and the bottom of Bodotria, or the gulph near which the city of Edinburgh stands. Though we have not in Roman Britain well-defined limits between the several provinces as in Gaul, we perceive a distinction between Superior and Inferior; and the position of some cities ascribed to the higher Britain, indicates this to have been on the western shore. The multiplication of provinces which prevailed throughout the empire, furnished a Britannia Prima and Secunda; and the situation of the first colonies after the commencement of the conquest should establish the first Britain in the east. Two other provinces, Flavia Casariensis, and Maxima Cæsariensis, appear, by the name of Flavia, to have been called after the family of Constantine; and the surname of Cæsariensis would refer to Constantius Chlorus, who, it is well

well known, commanded in Britain with the title of Cælar. But we are not informed concerning the extent and limits of these provinces. Somewhat later in the order of time another province is observed under the name of Valentia, supposed to have been the nearest to the rampart of Severus.

To enter into a detail of people and cities, we must begin with Cantium, as it presents itself at the first approach. It preserves its name in that of Kent. The principal city of this corner of land was called Durovernum, and its present name of Canter-bury is that proper to the country itself, followed by the appellative for a \* town in the language of the Anglo-Saxons. Another city, Duro-brivis, has taken the name of Rofchester, which in common use is Rochester. The port that appears to have been the most used for landing in Britain was named † Ritupiæ, towards the fouthern point of the island called Tanetos, or Thanet, where we now find Sandwich. Dover is mentioned by the name of Dubris. But we recognize at some distance to-

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<sup>\*</sup> Rather a station, or dwelling, for that is what Bung in the Saxon signifies. Bonhoe, Borough, is the appellative for a town or city. See Johnson's Dict.

<sup>+</sup> Ritupiæ is Richborough, according to Horsley.

wards the west another beach with the name of Lemenis, Lymne; and which, as there is every reason to presume, was the place where Cæsar made his descent upon the island of Britain. Thence, after traverling the territory of a people named Regni, we find the Belga; and their principal city, called Venta Belgarum, retains its name in Wint-chester. This termination of Chester, applied to many cities in England, is a depravation of the Latin term Castrum, which the Roman domination had established and rendered familiar in Britain, and which under the Anglo-Saxons having taken the form of Ceaster, has become Cester, or Chester, indifferently. Vectis, or the Isle of Wight, which is adjacent to this canton which the Belgee inhabited, was subjected by Vespasian under the reign of Claudius. The Atrebates, whose name we find also among the people of Belgic Gaul, were contiguous to the Belgæ of Britain in inclining towards the Thames. On the coast, the Durctriges followed the Belgians; and Durnevaria, their city, is now Dorchester. What remains of the fouthern part of Britain, and which is contracted by the feaand the Sabrine Efficient, belonged to the Dumnonii. Their city, called Isca, on a river of the same name, retains its denomination in that

of \* Exeter, or Exchester. It is well known that this extremity of the island, which has taken the name of Cornwall, was renowned for its tin. The importation of this metal making a considerable object of commerce among the Phœnicians and Carthaginians, they gave the name of Cassiterides, derived from a Greek word denoting tin, to islands which were thought to produce it. Although many of the ancient geographers speak. of those islands as lying off the Finisterre of Spain, there is every reason to ascribe the Cassiterides to the end of the British island; and passing over the little isles or rocks of + Scilly, to comprehend under this denomination two promontories, which, separated probably by a convullion of the elements, might be mistaken by strangers arriving in these latitudes for insulated lands. These promontorics are Bolevium, before mentioned, and the Lizzard Point, known in antiquity under the name of Dumnonium, or Ocrinum. Further, we read in Diodorus Siculus,

<sup>\*</sup> Uxela was the name of Exeter, according to Doclor Horsley; and Ifea Dumisnlorum, Hamden-Hill.

<sup>†</sup> We find the iffes of Scilly mentioned in the Antonine Itinerary under the name of Liscia; and the following note by Wesselingius, the Amsterdam editor: "Lis veteri Britannorum sermone Gurgitem notasse volunt."

that the tin of the Cassiterides was transported by the inhabitants of Bolerium to the isle of Vectis: a report which can leave no doubt of their iden-

tity.

Having thus terminated the southern shores, we return to describe the eastern parts. Among the Trinobantes we find Londinium, London, which is spoken of under the Roman government as a city flourishing by commerce. Camabodunum was the first colony which the Romans established in Britain under the reign of Claudius. Its situation agrees with that of Colchester; and there is observed in the modern denomination a fragment of the title or surname of Colonia, which this city appears to have borne by way of eminence. The vestiges of an ancient city named Verulamium are recognized near St. Alban's, twenty-one miles from London. North of the Trinobantes, the Iceni, a people equally powerful, designated their capital by the same name of Venta which we have observed among the Belgians; and the place which this city occupied is now called Caster, near Norwich, the principal city of the county of Norfolk. Towards the fources of the Thames were the Dobuni. Aqua Solis\*, or waters of Apollo, are dif-

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<sup>\*</sup> Aquæ Sain is placed by Doctor Horsley in the territory of the Eeize.

tinguished by the name of Bath, signifying the same thing as Baden among the Germans; this name being appropriated by them to places where there are baths of mineral waters. The position of Gloucester, upon the Severn, is the same as that of \*Clanum: and the passage of the Severn was the entrance to the territory of the Silures, who occupied the northern shore of the gulph which receives this river. They had a city called, as many others, Venta, the name of which is found in Caer-gwent: and, as well as the Dumnonii, they had a city called Isca, the residence of a Roman legion, and its site is now recognized in the name of Caer-leon, on a river whose name of † Usk is evidently the same as

<sup>\*</sup> Clevum, as well in the map of our author, as in that of Horsley.

<sup>+</sup> Uisk, or Wyskie, is the Gaëlic appellative for the element of water: hence there are several rivers of that name in the British island. Dur has the same meaning: hence the Durio in Savoy, the Durance in France, and the Duro in Spain. Taw is the name for the sea, and, according to the hyperbolical genius of the Celtic speech, the greatest rivers in each country are so called: hence the Tamh, or Thames; the Tay in Scotland; more than one Taff in Wales; the Tagus, or Taio, in Portugal; the Tanais in the north of Asia, &c. But Amhon, pronounced Avon, is the specific and precise appellation of a river.

that of the city. Among the Demeta, who were contiguous on the same shore, we find the position of Maridunum in that of Caermarthen. In the north of the principality of Wales, of which the southern part belonged to the people just mentioned, the Ordovices were only separated by a narrow channel from the isle of Mona, where the Druids had consecrated woods polluted with human blood. This isle has taken

\* Pays des Galles in the original; therein netaining the generic name of the nation; and it is only by a change of the initial for another letter peculiar to the Gothic dialects, that we call it Wales. Thus another part of the same nation, retiring from the conquering Saxons into the fouthern extremity of the island, prefixed to this national denomination a name which in their own language, as we'll as in the Roman, denotes its geographical figure, Corn-Gall, Corn-wall, quali Cornu. So the posterity of the German nations that seized upon Le'gic Gaul acquired the name of Walloons. And the Germans on this fide the Alps call the inhabitants of the anclant Cifelpine Gaul, and the Italians in general, Walkh.-But to return. Geraldus Camb. observes, that " Adulterius vertitie ustatoque magis, sed proprie minus, medernis cichus Wallia liteliur." And Wallis, Litterarum g & w frequentiffma ed commitation (Preface.) And Spelman, Galli semper g uninfor for Sox. p. (Gloff, verbo Gaiantie.) Examples of the Gul. a practice in words beginning with W. are, Gager, gardent, gurdrobe, garantie, guerre, &c. and the name Guillaume; for wager, warden, wardrobe, warranty, war, and  $\mathbf{W}_{\mathrm{illiani}}.$ 

the name of Angles-ey; the termination of which being an appellative word in many northern dialects to denote an island: and it is thus that the Orcades are called Orkn-ey\*. The isle which is known under the name of Man, with which that of Mona appears confounded, is situated in the distance between the north of England and Ireland, and was known to the ancients by the name of Monabia.

East of the Ordovices, among the Cornavii, mention is made of Dvva as a post of a legion in Upper Britain; its name is now Chester. We add Viroconium, to observe that its position was not that of the city of Worcester, but a finall town called Wroxeter, also upon the Severn, and a little below Shrewsbury. Lindum Colonia, retaining the name of Lincoln, indicates to us the territory of the Caritani, to whom this city is attributed; and a gulph which appears to have been named Metaris Æstuarium, should separate them from the Iceni before-mentioned. The most powerful people in Britain were the Brigantes; to judge by the extent of country that they occupied, which was the whole breadth of the island between the two seas, from the

<sup>\*</sup> Hence ifle, which we received into our language through the channel of the French.

mouth of the river Abus, or Humber, to the Wall of Hadrian\*. In this circuit Eboracum, or York, was distinguished above other cities by the residence of the emperors Severus and Constantius Chlorus during their continuance in Britain. It is probable that the province called Maxima Cæsariensis was of this part of Britain. There are here very obvious vestiges of military ways; on which is recognized a measure that exceeds the Roman mile by eighty toises. The ways also indicate many ancient places which we have the satisfaction to find; but which being too numerous to enter into an abridged description, are comprised in a table designed to supply the desiciency here as well as elsewhere. The same may be said of the Vallum Hadriani, or rampart of Adrian; along which we distinguish places of defence at no great distance from each other. From the shore of Solway Frith towards the west, this line tends to Luguvallum, now Carlisle; and it is terminated on the eastern side of the island by a post called Tinocellum, near the mouth of a river named Tina. Beyond this river were the Otta-tini on the eastern shore; and, in turning to the west, the Selgovæ; and the No-

<sup>\*</sup> Dr. Horsley places a people called Parisi between the Humber and the Derwent.

vantæ were they who occupied the modern county of Gallway to the angle which we find under the name of Novantum Peninsula, terminating this county; the fouthern promontory whereof is called Mula, or the Beak. A city remarkable by the name of Victoria, attributed to the Demnii, might have served for the monument of a victory won by Agricola from the Caledonians, near the Grampian Hills. The people on this fide of the Vallum or rampart of Severus were in general called Mæatæ, by distinction from the Caledonians who inhabited the other. We have faid above that this line extended from the river Glota, or Clyde to the Bodotria Æstuarium, which is now named the Frith of Forth. We are assured by the proper fignification of the name of Edinburgh, that it is the position of a post called by the Romans Alata Castra, or the Flying Camp.

That which was not comprised within the limits, more or less remote, of the Roman empire, might be distinguished under the title of Britannia Barbara. The name of Caledonii appears to have comprehended many particular people who occupied, under divers denominations, the northern parts of Scotland. Nor are the Caledonians to be distinguished from the Piëti, whose name is not found employed till an after

Roman language, expresses a custom established among this savage people, of painting their skin with party-coloured sigures. Another nation, the Scoti, who, migrating from Hibernia, attacked the Picts before Britain was lost to the Romans, penetrated to the utmost part of the Roman domination towards the north, and were in the sequel sufficiently powerful to gain, by conquest, from the Saxons of the English heptarchy, the kingdom of the Nordan-humbers, which was bounded on the north by the gulph of Edinburgh, and the rampart of Severus. And the

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<sup>\*</sup> Nec falso nomine Pitti. (Claudian.) Though not from the Roman language, but from the Celtic; in which they were nick-named Picaish, or thieves, by their neighbours in the Low Country, according to Dr. John Macpherson. Similarity of sound naturally produced ambiguity, which, degenerating into error, has been perpetuated by such authors as Claudian, and Eumenius the panegyrist. The Hibernian origin of the Scots, and the Spanish origin of the Irish, and the Silures of Britain, are also treated by him as puerile errors with equal plausibility of argument. But Pinkerton, in his late History of Scotland, makes the Picts to be Scandinavian Goths from Norway.

<sup>†</sup> Seet is an imputed name as well as Pistelijh, and fignifies in the Gaëlic little or contemptible. Opprobrious epithets are owing to the malignity of mankind: and these people

conquests of this people have extended their name to the northern end of the island; although the Scots, properly so called, are distinguished as occupying the western shore called High-land, because it is more mountainous than that towards the east. Among the people of ancient Caledonia the Horesta are found in history, and appear to have inhabited beyond the Taum Æstuarium, which cannot be more suitably assigned than to the mouth of the Tay, the most confiderable river in Scotland. Devana, further north, is the river named Dee, from which the town of Aberdeen, situated at its mouth, derives its name. Among the several people of whom we find but the names, the Cornabii should be placed, apparently, in the remotest corner of Scotland, in the county which we now name Caithness; therein employing a term much used

were so denominated by their neighbours of the Low Countries, who migrated from the continent since them. The unlettered Highlander is as utter a stranger to the national name of Scot as he is to that of Parthian or Arabian; and if he be asked of what country he is, he immediately replies that he is an Albanich, or Gaël.—The translator is indebted for this, the note concerning rivers, and that on the etymology of the term PiEli, to Critical Dissertations on Caledonian Antiquities, by John Macpherson, D. D. Minister of Slate in the Isle of Sky.—London, Becket, &c. 1763.

by many northern nations to denote a land far advanced in the sea \*. The extremity of this land is the promontory which received from the ancients the name of Orcas, from its proximity to the Orcades. As there is mention of these islands before a Roman fleet circumnavigated Britain, when Agricola commanded there, what Tacitus reports of their being then discovered and conquered, must only be rigorously understood in respect of the last of these terms. The ancients were not entirely ignorant of the islands on the western shore of Scotland, which they called Ebudes, and which are now named, by reason of their situation, the Western Isles. But they are mentioned in a manner too desultory and indistinct to authorize a particular detail of them here. We have now a more important object to consider, which is

<sup>\*</sup> As Inverness, &c. This term appears one of the few that are common to the Celtic and Gothic. Nefs, nafus, nez, næge, næfe. The similarity between the northern and southern extremity of the island in geographical figure, is not more remarkable than the identity of name, Cornabii and Corngall.

## HIBERNIA.

The name of this great island is variously read. That of Ierne, in some authors of antiquity, has a great affinity to the name of Erin\*, which it bears among the people who inhabit it, and from which is formed its present denomination of Ire-land. Adjacent to Britain, but inferior in extent, it is sometimes called Britannia Minor. In times just preceding the fall of the western empire, we find it mentioned under the name of Scotia; and we have seen that the Scoti issued from it to invade the north of the British island. The Romans having never carried their arms into Ireland, had no other knowledge of it than what commerce furnished between two lands in fight of each other. It would be difficult, not to say inept, to recount the detail which the geography of Ptolemy furnishes of Hibernia; for this island does not enter

<sup>\*</sup> Compounded of Iar, west, and In an island. Cæsar is the siss author who mentions Ireland under the name of Hibernia: and therein he might either have latinized the H'Yverdhen of the southern Britons; or, what is more probable, given it a name that suited his own ideas of its air and climate.—James Macpherson.

into history till an age very much posterior to that of antiquity. There are however some circumstances to be remarked, as appertaining to its principal features.

The figure given of it by Ptolemy is a parallelogram, determined by its promontories; two towards the fouth, and two towards the north. On the eastern shore, and towards the middle of its extent, the polition of a city under the name of Eblana agrees with that of Dublin; and the mouth of a river a little northward of it, named Buninda, confequently answers to the Boyne. The promontory terminating this fide towards the fouth, and named Sacrum, is the fouth-east point of Ireland; and that which stretches towards the west, and was called Notium, or the South, agrees with what is now named Cape Clear. On the western coast, terminated by a promontory named Boreum, or the Northern, a river among many others, and called Senus, is thought to be the Shannon; the most considerable of the country, and which obtains the same name in the work of an ancient British historian as in Prolemy. The circumstances that regard Armagh would induce us to confider it as the poilion of the most northern of two cities named Recal. A local tradition reports it to have been

the residence of the kings of this part of Ireland called Ulster, and we know that it is still the primatial see for the whole island. A city of the same name with that of the island, that is to say, Jernis or Juernis, placed in the centre of the fouthern part, takes therefore the position of Cashel, one of the principal towns of the province of Munster; if we be not inclined rather to credit a tradition of the country, which pretends that at some distance west of Cashel there formerly existed a great city, which was episcopal, and to which they give the name of Aen. Among the nations whose names are placed in Hibernia, that of the Brigantes evinces that it received colonies from Great Britain: but common fame ascribes the origin of the Irish people to an emigration from Iberia.

To this article of Hibernia must be added what we can say of Thule or Thyle, which the ancients reputed the remotest of lands on the Northern Ocean, and nearest to the Pole. The relation of Pytheas, a Massilian Greek, had made this land remarkable many ages before the Christian æra; although the description of its climate, according to this navigator, as being neither earth, air, nor sea, but a chaotic consusion of these three elements, were sufficient to invalidate his testimony.

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The opinion which takes Iceland for Thule, cannot be maintained against an analysis of circumstances which are attributed to Thule, without omitting those even which the narrative of Pytheas furnishes ; the discussion whereof is not adapted to a work of this kind. We learn from Tacitus, that the Roman sleet which made the tour of Britain, and reduced the Orkneys, had at the same time a sight of Thule; which could have

Le nom de Thule reparoît dans les tables de Ptolemée. Mais ce n'est plus la Thule de Pytheas; on a eu tort de la consondre jusqu'aujourd'hui avec elle. Les circonstances astronomiques qui accompagnent le récit de Pytheas, ne permettent pas de douter que l'isse dont il parloit ne dût être très voisine du cercle polaire. Ptolemée, qui élevoit déjà trop toutes les latitudes de la Bretagne, n'a pu cependant arriver a cette hauteur, ni passer au-delà du 63me degré. Ainsi il n'a prétendu décrire qu'une terre insérieure en latitude à celle que Pytheas avoit indiquée.

En plaçant Thule près des Orcades, Ptolemée fait voir que les connoissances de son siecle s'étendoient peu au-delà de ces isses; que la route de l'Iceland s'étoit perdue, et que l'on avoit transporté le nom de Thule et le souvenir de son existence à la petite isse de Schetland. M. d'Anville l'a bien jugé. Mais il a consondu les tems; il n'a point vu que l'opinion de Ptolemée ne pouvoit avoir aucune rapport avec celle de Pytheas, et que les deux Thule devoient trouver une place dissérente dans sa carte de l'ancien Monde.

Géographie des Grecs analysée par M. Gessellin, ouvrage couronné par l'Academie. Paris 1790.

been no other than the Shetland Isles, at least twenty leagues north-east of the Orkneys. And if in Ptolemy be considered the position of Thule relative to the Orkneys, the conclusion formed upon the report of Tacitus will be confirmed beyond a doubt. We shall find in the sequel another Thule, in a northern region of Europe, but which, separated from the Orkneys by the space of an hundred leagues of sea, cannot be confounded with the Thule now under consideration.

#### IV.

# GERMANIA.

CEPARATED from Gaul by the Rhine, Germany extends eastward to the Vistula, which may serve it for limits on the side of Sarmatia; while the shore of the sea towards the north, and the course of the Danube on the south, are elsewhere its boundaries. That which . we now see comprised in Alemagne, between the Danube and the Alps, did not belong to ancient Germany. There are three principal rivers in the interval between the Rhine and the Vistula, directing their course to the German Ocean: Visurgis, the Weser; Albis, the Elbe; Viadrus, the Oder; a river less considerable, Amisus, the Ems, precedes the Weser in the order from west to east. The ancients, moreover, were acquainted with three other rivers which the Rhine received; Nicer, the Neker; Mænus, the Mein; Lupia, the Lippe: and we

may mention the Sala, which under the same name traverses Thi ringia to discharge itself into the Elbe. Among the local circumstances of Germany, there are none more remarkable than those which regard the Silva Hercynia, or Hercynian forest; which was so vast, according to what is reported of it, that it seemed to cover the whole country; whose ancient aspect might thence have well merited the description \* that Tacitus has given of it, however inapplicable to its present state. We must add, that Hercynia is a generic term, there being feveral places in Germany named der Hartz: and if there be found other names of forests, as that of the Gabreta Siiva, they are proper only to parts of this immense continuity of wood, which extended from the banks of the Rhine to the limits of Sarmatia and Dacia. The mountains covered with forests were designated by the same name; as the Hercinii Montes are principally remarked in the chain which encompasses Boiobenium, or Bohemia. Some other mountains will appear in the detail which the article of Germany demands.

<sup>\*</sup> Desormem terris, asperam cœlo, tristem situ cultuque.

Tacitus.

The name of Germani did not belong to this nation from immemorial antiquity. There was a time when the Celts prevailed in power over the people beyond the Rhine, as establishments formed in Germany by Celtic nations sufficiently evince. But when, in their turn, detachments of Germanic people invaded a part of Belgica, Tacitus informs us that these strangers, become superior in arms, were called Germani; and we find that, in the Teutonic or Germanic language, Ger-man signifies a warrior. The name of Alemagne,

\* From II'm, Bellum, and Man, Homo. The Roman alphabet, like the French, affording no w, this letter was converted into g. Perhaps all the original names of nations being compounded of names of qualities, were at first imputed cither by themselves through vanity, or by their neighbours through calumny; as appellative words are antecedent to proper names in the history of human speech. Thus the Brigantes of South Britain, of Ireland, of the Alpine Regions, and of Spain, derived their common name from Brigand, a Celtic word (and which the French have retained), signifying a robber. Thus Kymraig, by which the Welch distinguish themselves and their dialect of the Celtic, signifies an associate in arms; the French having retained this word also in camarade, which they use for a brother-soldier. And our thriceillustrious ancestors, the Gets and Goths, or, as the Romans called them, Getæ and Gothi, formed their name of the verb zeran, to get; get, getten; because they prosessed to get territory by expulsion of the natives. In times of violence and advenAlemagne, which the French extend to Germany, comes from a particular people, of whom the first mention is made at the beginning of the third century, under the reign of Caracalla. This name of Alé-man, or All-man, signifies properly a multitude of men; and the Alemanni appear to have been established in the country now called Suabia, in descending the Rhine to the confluence of the Maine. This nation having detached itself from the Francic league, formed in the same age by the nations of the Lower Rhine, had arrived to the highest degree of power. However, the name of Alemannia, its territory, confined in the middle ages to Suabia,

adventure, acquisition signified right; and in the language of our common law, the terms conqueror and sounder are synonimous. One more example may be adduced out of many that remain: the Slavens, a word which in their own language denotes nobles; but which, by a signal accident of fortune, affording no indifferent lesson to arrogance, has become significant of the most abject and calamitous condition of human life, in all the western languages of Europe.

Mr. Pinkerton observes, that it is worthy of remark that there was a Persian people called Technology, Germans; Herod. i. 125. There was also a Greek one in Peloponnesus, called Tecram, Teutani; Pliny iii. 8. Steph. Byz.

The same Scythic speech produced the same appellations.

Diff. on the Scy. or Goths.

Alface, and part of Switzerland, is not that which Alemagne or Germania itself has adopted. As to the actual and Teutonic name of Teutsch-land, we cannot forbear remarking in it the obvious resemblance to that of the Teutones, whom we find associated with the Cimbri in an irruption, about a century before the Christian æra, that dissufed terror through Italy, and was only restrained by the victories of Marius. If, among the people and countries of Germany, a name be sought that would appear predominant by its extent, it is that of the Succi and Succia.

In describing the different people, it will be found agreeable to geographic order to begin in the vicinity of the Rhine, and, ascending that river to the Danube, to penetrate thence through the bosom of the continent to the shores of the Baltic sea. Hence the Frisi, or Frisons, separated from Gaul and the territory of the Batavians by that arm of the Rhine which preserves its name, appear the sirst. Their country was intersected by a canal named Flevo, made by Drusus; which, by a derivation of the waters of the Rhine into the Issel, had expanded to such a degree as to form a considerable lake or lagune, whose issue to the sea was fortisted by a castle bearing the same name. This lagune,

having been in the progress of time much increased by the sea, assumed the name of Zuyderzee, or the Southern Sca; and of several channels which afford entrance to the Ocean, that named Vlie indicates the genuine egress of the Flevo. A Roman fleet commanded by Drusus, having entered the Ocean by this channel, seized upon an island named Byrchanis; which, notwithstanding the changes met this shore has experienced by the encroachments of the sea, we recognise in the name of Borkum, at the entrance of the Ems. The next were the Chauci. divided, as we may fay of the Frisons, into Majores and Minores; these inhabiting the hither side of the Weser; those occupying the country between that river and the Elbe. This was one of the most illustrious nations of Germany #, according to Tacitus, and distinguished by the

<sup>\*</sup> Populus inter Germanos nobilissimus, quique magnitudinem suam malit justicia tueri. Sine cupiditate, sine impotentia quieti secretique, nulla provocant bella; nullis raptibus aut latrociniis populantur. Idque præcipuum virtutis ac virium argumentum est, quod ut superiores agant, non per injurias adsequuntur. Prompta tamen omnibus arma, ac si res poscat exercitus: plurimum virorum equorumque; & quiescentibus eadem sama.—Tacitus de Mor. Germ. cap. 35.

love of justice. But Pliny represents as very miserable the life of those who inhabited a shore exposed to inundations of the sea. Between the Rhine and the Ems, above the Frisons, were the Bructeri; and although Tacitus speaks of them as a nation destroyed by the hatred of their neighbours, we find them distinguishing themfelves among the first in the Francic league. We read that a part of the country of the Bructerians was occupied by the Chamavi and the Argravarii. The first, having previously inhabited the banks of the Rhine, had been successively replaced by the Tubantes and the Ujipii; and it is believed that the second, established on the Weser in the vicinity of the Cherusci, have given the name to Angaria or Angria, the domain of the famous Saxon Witikind, who cost Charlemagne so much trouble to reduce to obedience. And by the mention made of the Marsi, it is known that they also belonged to this canton. The Cheruscians were extended on both sides of the Weser above the Caucians; where, under the conduct of Arminius, they acquired an immortal name by the utter annihilation of three Roman legions, commanded by Varus; and the Saltus Teutobergiensis, the scene of this bloody catastrophe, makes a part

part of the bishopric of Paderborn\*. Another field, named *Idistavisus*, where Arminius was defeated by Germanicus, has much resemblance in the circumstances of this action to that of Hastenbach, where a French army gained a victory

- "Under their ancient name of Scythæ, or Goths, they were foon by degrees to seize on the whole Western Empire; nay, to pour over the sertile coasts of Africa. The Vandali, whom Tacitus and Pliny sound in the north of Germany, were to sight with Belisarius in the plains of Numidia. The Suevi were to possess the fragrant fields of Spain. The Langebardi were to enjoy the orange groves of Italy. And the Angli, whom Tacitus places in his catalogue as not meriting surther notice, were to give their name to a country eminent in arts and arms, in wisdom and liberty."

Diff. on the Scy. or Goths, Part II. chap. iv.

wards described as a degenerate people, appearing subjected to a neighbouring power, who it is thought were the Causcians, as the dependencies of these, in the time of Tacitus, extended to the territory of the Cattians. The victories of Germanicus had caused the ruin of the Cheruscians, and involved a contiguous nation, named the Fost, in their calamity. The Chasuarii merit notice, if they be the same people with the Attuarii, in the league of the Francs. A trophy crected by Drusus, father of Germanicus, on the bank of the Elbe in Thuringia, signalized the progress of the Roman armies in this part of Germany.

We must again approach the Rhine, and remark the Shambri, who inhabited the south side of the course of the Lippe. Pressed by the Cattians, powerful neighbours, whom Cæsar calls Sunvi, they were, together with the Ubii, received into Gaul, on the lest bank of the Rhine, under Augustus; and there is reason to believe that the people who occupied this position under the name of Guzerni, were Sicambrians. It was in favour of the Ubians that Cæsar crossed the Rhine, at the extremity of the territory of Treves, laid waste that of the Sicambrians, and caused

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caused the Cattians to decamp. The Tencteri inhabited the country contiguous to that which the Sicambrians had possessed, and above it withal. A nation superior in power to any of these were the Catti, whom Cæsar, as before observed, calls Suevi. They occupied Hesse to the Sala in Thuringia, and Weteravia to the Maine: Among other circumstances which enhanced the merit of this people, was that of their skill in the military art; which, according to Tacitus, the Cattians superadded to the quality of bravery common to the Germanic nations. A place which is mentioned under the name of Castellum continues this name in that of Cassell. Mattium is spoken of as the capital of the Cattians, and it is believed that this city is Marpurg. We read in Tacitus, that the Germans had no cities; yet it is reasonable to believe that each community had some principal place of congregated habitations: and the analogy discernible in the name Mattium to that of Mattiaci, who remain to be mentioned, induces an opinion that the place belonged to this people; who made part of the great Cattian nation, from whom were detached the Batavi, established in the extremity of Gaul. A firm alliance united the Mattiacians to the Roman empire. It is remarked, even that a

part of their territory contiguous to the Rhine and the Maine, was covered and separated from the exterior country by a vallum, or retrenchment, whereof evident vestiges are still subsisting: and the mount named Taunus, whose ridge prevails from the bank of the Rhine to above Frankfort, had a post fortified by Drusus. The town, which is now named Wisbaden, at the foot of this hill opposite to Mentz, represents the Aquæ Mattiaci. From this canton, in afcending the Rhine, the course of this river should not be regarded as a definitive determination of limits, whereby the country in obedience to the Romans was bounded. There was a Roman town called Aqua, beyond the Rhine, to which the position of Baden corresponds. The Marconians, a Germanic people, migrating from these ambiguous limits to transport themselves into Bohemia, were succeeded by Gauls, who fpread from the Rhine to the sources of the Danube, at the foot of mount Abnoba, which is the Black Mountain. This is what we find in Ptolemy indicated by the wilderness of the Helvetians; and these lands have been called Decumates Agri, because they were subjected to an imposition of the tenth of their fruits. Many have thought that the Alemanni issued from the Decumatic

Decumatic people. But admitting that the Alemanni were composed of divers people, as may be fairly inferred from the name that distinguishes them, yet it is extremely probable that they were more Germans and Suevians than Gauls. For whence should come the present name of Suabia, peculiar to this circle of Germany, although far distant from the ancient and primitive Suevi; whose name, in its severer and more appropriate sense, was applicable to the Cattian nations beyond the Maine? However this be, we must remark, that the Roman domination extended over the country which has taken the name of Suabia; which extent was even defined in its limits, and defended by a retrenchment, under the reign of Probus, embracing about fixty leagues of the course of the Danube from its fources. And this line is thought to have been garrisoned till about the reigns of Dioclesian and Maximinian.

The Hermunduri, a potent nation, and attached to the Roman name, stretched from the shore of the same river far into the interior country, disputing with the Cattians the possession of the Sala, and the salt which the waters of this river furnish to the town of Halle. They were only separated by the Elbe from another great na-

tion, of whom we shall speak hereafter. Lower down on the same bank of the Danube, the Narisci succeed to the Hermundurians, and seem to have been covered by Boiohemum. In the name of this country, that of the more ancient people who occupied it is followed by a term in the German language, which signifies habitation or dwelling; and this name has continued to the same country in that of Bohemia, although the Boii had given place to the Marcomans, and these to a Slavonic or Sarmatian people, who have long possessed it. It appears by Cæsar, that the Boii were affociated with the Helvetic nation; and the Helvetians, according to Tacitus, were advanced as far as the Maine. The Marcomani, or Marcomanni, and their king Maroboduus, desirous of escaping from the Roman yoke, withdrew from the Rhine and Maine under Augustus, and seized from the Boians the country which had borne their name; which name the same people, abandoning these their native seats, have carried with them into that now called Boiaria, Bayaria, or Bavaria. The Quali, the most remote of the Germanic nations on the Danube, between the Marcomans and the Sarmatian people called Jazyges, and who make a figure in many passages of history, but partiparticularly under the reign of Marcus Aurelius, occupied what is now called Moravia. Under Tiberius bands of Germans, who had followed princes driven from their states, were settled on the Danube, between the rivers Marus and Cusus, the Morava and the Vag; the first of which being the boundary between the modern kingdom Hungary and the marquisate of Moravia. The establishment then made by a king of the Quadians, named Vannius, extended the limits of this nation to the river Granua, or Gran, whose mouth in the Danube is on the bank opposite to a city of the same name, but otherwise called Strigonia.

The internal part of this continent may be considered under the general name of Suevia; whence many Germanic nations have borrowed the denomination under which they appear. Suevia was divided among a number of distinct people. The Semnones, who were reputed the noblest and most ancient of the Suevian nations, extended from the Elbe to beyond the Oder. Behind the Marcomans and Quadians, as Tacitus expresses himself, were the Marsigni, Gothoni, Osi, and Burii; an arrangement which places these people towards the Oder, above the Semnones. The Lygii are mentioned as a powerful

nation, uniting under this name several people, whose dwellings, bordering on the Sarmatians, appear to have been on the Warta and the Vistula. The position which Ptolemy gives in this canton, under the name of Califia, is evidently found in that of Kalitz, a Polish town on the frontier of Silesia. Tacitus, naming the Langebardi after the Semnones, authorises the opinion that they were established on the Sprhé, which communicates with the Elbe \*. It is glorious to this people, says that historian, to maintain their independence amidst more powerful and hostile neighbours. Seeing the Lombards comprised in Suevia, can it be supposed that they who entered Italy under that name before the end of the fixth century were originally from a country separated from Germany by the Baltic Sea, according to the report of Paul Diacre, who nevertheless was a Lombard by nation? Their name (which, according to this historian, signifies Long-beard +) might have been employed in different regions. Beyond the Lygians were

<sup>\*</sup> Contra Langobardos paucitas nobilitat: plurimis ac valentissimis nationibus cincli, non per obsequium, sed præliis, et periclitando tuti sunt. Tac. de Mor. Germ. cap. 40.

<sup>4</sup> Ab intactæ serro barbæ longitudine. D.

the Gothones, whose residence is thought to have been near the sea. The name of the Rugu subfists in that of Rugenwald, which belongs to a maritime city of the further Pomerania, as an island adjacent to the hither part of the same country is called Rugen. The Varini are supposed to have been in Mecklenburgh; and all those approaching that shore appear to be comprised under the name of Vindili, the same that the Vandals have made famous. To these may be added the Burgundiones, whose name is retained in that of Burgogne, a province of France which fell to their share. The entrance of the Cimbrian Chersonese, or that which corresponds with modern Holstein, contained two nations highly illustrious in their progress; on one side the Angli, on the other the Saxones. These last were bounded in their primitive state by the issue of the Elbe; although now the name of Saxony, under which Westphalia is comprised, extends from the Rhine to the Oder.

The great emigration of the Cimbrians had reduced the remains of this nation, who continued in their ancient feats many ages after, to an inconsiderable tribe; but the remembrance of the former glory of this nation rendered it still respect-

respectable\*. It is manifest, that the Chersonesus Cimbrica is Denmark; the northern part whereof, the dwelling of the Cimbri, has taken the name of Jut-land from a people + who are not known till an age posterior to the term to which ancient geography is confined. A fleet under the command of Drusus had pushed discovery on this coast so far as to reconnoitre the point whereby the land is terminated, and which is now named Skagen. This voyage, according to Pliny, made the Romans acquainted with twenty-three islands. And these that line the western coast of Denmark, and of which the sea has covered a part, as it has encroached on the continent, must be of this number. We find in Ptolemy three islands of the Saxons, a little further north than the mouth of the Elbe. Tacitus speaks of an island of the Ocean which the people whom he names in this part of the continent consecrated to a religious ceremony in honour of Hertha, or the mother Earth. Though it be the opinion of many that this island is the same with Rugen, there is more probability of

<sup>†</sup> Parva nunc civitas, sed gloria ingens. Tacitus.

<sup>\*</sup> Rather the people from the name of the country, which denotes its figure and fituation.

recognizing it in the name of Helg-land, which fignifies the Holy Isle. It is situated in the distance off the mouth of the Elbe, and of it only an eminence now remains; the sea having covered a shore much more spacious in the years 800 and 1300, or thereabouts. We should here conclude this description of Germany, if in the ancient authors we did not find Scandinavia annexed to it, and demanding a supplementary discussion.

#### SCANDINAVIA,

It is also named by abreviation Scandia, and in the writers of an after age we read Scanzia. Antiquity had yet another name for it, which is Baltia, remarkable for its affinity with the Baltic Sea, which borders Scandinavia. This sea washing on the other side the shores of Germany, which the Suevian nations occupied, is also called by Tacitus Mare Suevicum. In other authors it is distinguished as a particular gulph, under the name of Sinus Codanus. The ancients had but a very imperfect knowledge of Scandinavia; believing it totally encompassed by the sea, or even composed of many islands. The manner in which these islands of the name of Scandy

Scandy are represented in the chart prepared from Ptolemy, has no relation to the real state of the country. The fouthern extremity however, and of which the Danish Isles of Seeland, Funen, &c. make the appendages, recal, in the names of Skany, or Scane, the memory of its ancient denomination. Tacitus, without naming Scandinavia, speaks of this country as being environed by the Ocean, which forms spacious gulphs, embracing islands of great extent; ascribes it to Suevia, and places two nations therein. What he reports of the Suiones, in having a marine and fleets, appears remarkable, when we recollect that the ancient laws concerning navigation had their origin in Wisby in the Isle of Gothland. The country to which Tacitus conducts us retains the name of Sueonia, in the writers of the middle age, speaking precisely of Sweden. The other nation, the Sitones, where the sovereignty was in the hands of a woman, appears to have been Norway\*. According to Pliny, the only part of Scandinavia which was known was occupied by the Hilleviones, a numerous nation. Among

<sup>\*</sup> Cetera similes; uno different, quod semina dominatur. In tantum non modo a libertate, sed etiam a servitute degenerant. Tac. de Mor. Germ. cap. 45.

the divers names of countries and people reported by Jornandes we find Hallin; and that which is contiguous to the particular province of Skane is still called Hal-land. Although the proper name of a principal country of ancient Scandinavia be Gotland, and, according to the historians of the Goths, Scanzia infula was the cradle of the illustrious nation, we must say that the account is not justified by the authority of any of the Roman writers. But we may conjecture that a people named Gutæ by Ptolemy have some relation to them; remarking withal in Jornandes, that a nation distinguished as very brave and addicted to war were called Gauti-Goth.

According to the ancient error which divided the continent of Scandinavia into many islands, there are found in Pliny the names of Bergon and Nerigon, as proper to two of these isles; the sirst of which being the place of embarkation for Thule. It is evident, that the sirst under consideration is Berghen, one of the principal towns in Norway, having a port much frequented; and the name which succeeds being attributed to the largest island, is applicable to the country itself, of which the proper and local denomination is Norge. The Sevo mons of the same author, which

which it is thought accords with the Riphean mountains, can be no other than the great chain of this country known under the general name of Fiell; but which takes particular names in divers places. But there is recognized in this country another Thule described by Procopius, and whose name is preserved in a canton called Tele-mark. It is certain that this author leads us to Scandinavia when he comprises the people called Scrito-Finni in Thule. These Finns were so called, according to Paul Diacre, for the lightness and vivacity of their course over the snows and ice which they purfued on wooden skaits. The angle formed by the separation of the gulphs of Bothnia and Finland from the Baltic Sea, offering the appearance of a great island, was called Finningia. Tacitus describes the condition of the Fenni, or Finni, as very miserable, and that of the Finns of Thule is little better in Procopius. Jornandes speaking of this nation as the gentlest in character of all the Scandinavians, we may conclude them to be the Laplanders, who are not otherwise mentioned. What we read of the nature of the sea which envelopes the north of this continent, shews that it was very little known. The Cimbrians named it Mori-marusa, or the Dead Sea, as Pliny reports; and we find the same signification still annexed to these terms in the northern languages. The name of Rubeas Promontorium, cited by the same author as being advanced to this sea, cannot be more applicable than to that called the North-Cape.

V.

RHÆTIA.

NORICUM

ET

PANNONIA.

ILLYRICUM.

In assembling these several countries in the same chapter, we fill the space from the right or southern shore of the Danube to the Alps, and the Hadriatic Sea. But as the distinction to be made between these provinces will not admit of their being described collectively, we shall treat of them under their respective titles.

#### RHÆTIA.

This name is also written Rætia, without the aspiration of the Greek orthography: and to this article shall be joined Vindelicia. Rhætia,

properly so called, occupied the Alps from the frontier of the Helvetic country of Gaul to Vinetia and the limits of Noricum; by which it was bounded on the east. Vindelicia confined it on the north, and the flat country of Cisalpine Gaul on the south. The country of the Grissons makes only a part of ancient Rhætia. The fources and the course of the Rhine to its entrance into the lake to which the city of Constance communicates its name, the course of the Anus, or the Inn, from its source to the point where it bounded Noricum, belonged to Rhætia; and the declivity of the Alps which regards the fouth, where Ticinus, or the Tesin, Addua, or the Adda, Athesis, or the Adige, begin their courses. The Rhæti were a colony of the Tusci, or Tuscans, a civilized nation, established in this country when the Gauls came to invade Italy. This co. ony, becoming favage, and infesting Cisalpine' Gaul, were subjugated under the reign of Augustus by Drusus. And because the Vindelici armed in favour of their neighbours, Tiberius sent a force that reduced them also to obedience. This double conquest formed a province called Rhætia, comprehending Vindelicia, without obliterating altogether the distinction. But in the multiplication that Dioclesian, and fome

fome emperors after him, made of the provinces, Rhætia was divided into two, under the distinction of the sirst and second; a circumstance that caused Rhætia proper and Vindelicia to reassume their primitive distinctions.

Of a great number of particular people that were cantoned in the mountains, we shall mention the principal only. The Sarunetes occupied the polition of Sargans, pressing on the limits of Helvetia, on the left of the course of the Rhine. On the right, Curia, from the name of which is derived that of the city of Coire, was a principal place in this canton of Rhætia, as this city still is among the Grissons. The Lepontii inhabited the high Alps, whence flow the Rhine, the Rhône, and the Tesin; and the name of Leventina, which distinguishes among many valleys that through which the Tesin runs, is formed of the name of this nation, who on the other side extended in the Pennine valley, where they possessed Oscela, now Domo d'Osula. The Focunates are recognized in the name of Vogogna; and the greater part of the Lacus Verbanus, which is the Lago-Majora, appears comprised in the limits of Rhætia. The Vennones are placed above the Lacus Larius, or Lago di Como, inclining towards the east; a situation that would give them

the Val-Teline. The name of Camuni is preferved in Val Camonica, near the fountains of the river Ollius, or Oglio. On the limits of Venetia, Tridentum, Trente, and Feltria, Feltri, belonged to Rhætia. The Brixentes have communicated their name to the town of Brixen, although it be not known in antiquity, when a place named Sabio, now Seben, and of little note, was the principal one of this canton. There is mention of Terioli, as a military post: and this castle in the valley, where the Adigé takes its origin, has given the name to Tirol.

We must now speak of the country of the Vindelici, which from the city of Brigantia, or Bregentz, on a lake which took the name of Brigantinus, before it was called the Lake of Constance, extended to the Danube; while the lower part of the Œnus, or Inn, separated it from Noricum. A powerful colony was established in the angle formed by the two rivers, Vindo and Licus; whence it would seem that the nation derived their name; and that of Augusta, given to this colony, is preserved, as it is well known, in Augsbourg, between the rivers Lech and Wertach; the first of which separates Suabia from Bavaria. In making choice of some other places, we shall cite Cambodunum, now Kempten.

A position distinguished on a Roman way under the name of Samulocenis corresponds with Saulgen, which is likewise in Suabia. On the Danube, Regina retains its name in that of Regensburg, from the river Regen, that the Danube receives opposite the site of this city, which we call Ratisbon. Lower down, and on a point of land formed by the confluence of the Inn, the position of Batava Castra is that of Passau. A place named Pons Oeni is ascertained by the direction of a Roman way to be that now called Muldorff. It is not the same with Inspruck, as the affinity of denomination in the German language would intimate. If antiquity knew any position which were applicable to Ins-pruck, it is Veldidena, whose name is retained in a small place contiguous, called Vilten.

## NORICUM.

IT extends along the fouthern shore of the Danube, from the mouth of the Inn to Mount Cetius, which causes the river to form a flexure a little above the position of Vienna. Embracing the beginning of the course of the Dravus, or Drave, and comprehending that which composes the duchies of Carinthia and Stiria. it is bounded bounded by the summit of the Alps on the south. This country, which is first spoken of as having a king, followed the sate of Pannonia; for, when it was reduced, Noricum also became a province under the reign of Augustus. Afterwards, and by the multiplication of provinces, there is distinguished a Noricum Ripense, adjacent to the Danube, from a Noricum Mediterraneum, distant from that river in the bosom of the Alps.

To recite the most considerable places, Boiodurum was without any other interval between Batava Castra in Vindelicia, than the course of the Inn; and its position must be referred to that of Inn-stat, opposite to Passau. We have seen, in treating of Germany, that the Boii, from whom the Marcomans conquered Bohemia, occupied the country which took the name of Boiaria; and that this country, being more extended than that which preserves the name of Bavaria, descended along the Danube; comprising the Upper Austria to the river Ens, whose name of Anisus is not known in antiquity. Lauriacum appears with superiority among the places of Noricum; and a Roman fleet had there a rendezvous, or station, upon the Danube. It is now but an inconsiderable village, under the name of Lorch, a little above the confluence of

the Ens. The principal town on this bank of the river is now Lentz, and whose name is found in Lentia. Another station which makes a figure in this canton, Ovilabis, is Wells on the Traum, which the Danube receives between Lentz and Lorch. Deeper inland we find Juvavum, which is known to be Saltzbourg, on a river whose name is Salza. Approaching the Drave, the position of Solua discovers itself by the name of a field called Zol-feld; and we may believe that Clagenfurt, now the capital of Carinthia, has profited by its decline, fince an ancient city, that was not far distant from it, exists no more. Virunum then takes its place near the Drave, towards the town named Wolk-markt. The position of Noreia is remarkable, inasmuch as it is faid to have been occupied by a body of Boiens, who are to be distinguished from those established in Bohemia, and from a time anterior to the invalion of the Marcomans, who drove this nation into Noricum. Celeia, keeping its name in the position of Cillei, is the remotest which we have to recount in Noricum.

## PANNONIA.

IT stretched along the right bank of the Danube, from the frontier of Noricum to the mouth of the Save: the country beyond the river being occupied from the limits of the Germanic nation of the Quadians by Sarmatians called Iazyges. On the southern side, Pannonia was bounded by Dalmatia, comprised in Illyricum. It received the Drave from its issue out of Noricum, and inclosed the greatest part of the course of the Save.

In the war which Augustus, bearing yet but the name of Octavius, made with the Iapydes and the Dalmatians of Illyricum, the Roman arms had penetrated to the Pannonians. But it was referved for Tiberius, who commanded in these countries, to reduce Pannonia into a province. It was divided in the time of the Antonines into Superior and Inserior, and the mouth of the river Arrabo, or Raab, in the Danube, made the separation of it, according to Ptolemy. Afterwards we find employed the terms sirst and second, as in the other provinces of the empire: and in a later age a third, under the name of Valeria, between the former two. This second, occupying the

banks of the Drave and Save, obtained the name of Savia, which now gives to a canton of this country the name of Po-Savia; expressing in the Slavonic language a situation adjacent to the Save. Among the several people which are named in the extent of Pannonia, the Scordisci and the Taurisci are particularly noted. Gauls by origin, and far removed from their ancient dwelling as the Boii, they were separated by Mons Claudius, which appears to extend between the Drave and the Save. We know, moreover, that the Scordiscians had penetrated far into Mæsia, which succeeds to Pannonia, on the same shore of the Danube. The first among the cities of the Upper Pannonia, in following the course of the Danube a little below Mount Cetius, called now Kalenberg, is Vindibona, well known to be Vienna. But a little lower, and almost opposite the mouth of the Morava, Carnuntum was the principal of cities on this side of the Danube. With regard to the position of it, as opinions vary between two places named Petronel and Haimbourg, it may be observed, that an intermediate village would appear to indicate an ancient fite in the name of Altenbourg, or Old-Town. The position of Arrabona is evidently that of Raab, which the Hungarians

call Javorin, where the Arrabo joins with one of the channels of the Danube. This river dividing its waters into many branches from the mouth of the Morava, reunites them a little below that of the Raab. Ascending the Raab, Sabaria must be mentioned in Sarvar, without deviating further from the course of the Danube. The position of Bregetio, where a Roman legion was quartered, appears to preserve vestiges of antiquity on the bank of the river in a place otherwise remarkable by the name of Pannonia, which is given to it in some maps. There is not recognized in the site of a city, distinguished as Strigonia, that of any ancient place that merits notice here.

Thus we must proceed to Aquincum, or, by contraction, Acincum, the name whereof appears owing to the warm baths; which have also given to the city of Buda the name of Osen in the German language. The opposite shore of the Danube, having been a Roman post called Contra-Acinum, is now represented by a place named Pest, opposite Buda. Continuing to follow the course of the Danube, we find Tolna, which appears to have been a position named Altinum; and nearer to the confluence of the Drave, that of Teutoburgium denotes the

feat of a Germanic tribe. On the further side of the Drave, a little above its junction with the Danube, the situation of Essek is known to be that of the ancient city of Mursa. Still ascending the Danube to the Save, which terminates Pannonia, we find a place which was called Bononia, corresponding with the position of Illok. Acunum is Peterwaradin, in the angle formed by the river. Acimincum is Slankemen, and Taurunum is not the same place with Belgrade, according to the prevalent opinion; but an obscure hamlet named Izeruinka, on the Save, some miles from its mouth.

We must now ascend the course of the Save to terminate Pannonia in the southern part. The union of a little river named Bacuntius, now Bozzeut, with the Save, determines the spot occupied by the city of Sirmium, which under the reigns posterior to the Augustan age shone among the most illustrious of the empire: and this district of Pannonia included between the Danube and the Save is still called Sirmia. Below Sirmium was Bassana, now Sabacs. And what we learn of the situation of Cibalis, on the occasion of the defeat of Licinius by Constantine, leads directly to the discovery of it in a place that has taken the name of Swilei, above

Sirmium. At the junction of the river Colapis, or Kulp, with the Save, Siscia preserves its name with little alteration in that of Sisseg. To these may be added the places of Petovio and Jovia: the first on the confines of Noricum, and whose name is perpetuated in that of Petaw; the other, on the confluence of the rivers Muer and Drave, has taken the Sclavonian name of Legrad. It is somewhat surprising to find Æmona adjudged by some authors to Pannonia; from which it is separated by the position of Celeia; a local circumstance that would make it appear more applicable to Noricum. But we shall see it included in the limits of Italy.

## ILLYRICUM.

THE name of *Illyricum* varies in its final fyllable, being sometimes employed under the form of *Illyris*. The ethnick, or national name, is *Illyrii*. And it is common in French to say l'Illyrie, though the name of *Illyria* is scarcely, if at all, used in the Latin. The extent of this country from the little river *Arsia*, which divides it from Istria, will conduct us along the Adriatic Sea to the mouth of the *Drilo*, or Drin, where we must stop; although beyond that, as far as Chaonia,

Chaonia, on the confines of Epirus, which makes part of Greece, the country was occupied by Illyrian nations. As to the limits on the side of Pannonia, which make the northern frontier, we find them determined by many politions under the name of Fines, which may be attributed to the Roman government, as we find these points of termination in many countries that have been subjected to that power. A chain of mountains taking the name of Albius Mons, and being a continuation of the Alpes Carnicæ, on the frontier of Noricum, runs through the whole length of Illyricum, from west to east, to Mount Scardus of Dardania. The Colapis issues from these mountains, to discharge itself into the Save in Pannonia. Towards the south, Titius, Nestus, and Naro, direct their courses to the Adriatic. The coast of this sea is covered by an immense number of isles, of which it will be sufficient to mention the most considerable.

The Illyrian nations are described in the earliest age as a savage people, who printed marks on their skins, like the Thracians; and the piracy which they practised furnished the Romans the first occasion to arm against them, more than two hundred years before the Christian æra; although the entire submission of the country

country was only achieved by Tiberius towards the end of the reign of Augustus. Two particular provinces are distinguished in it; one towards the head of the Adriatic, named Liburnia; the other, more famous, under the name of Dalmatia, which it still preserves. That part of the province of Croatia called Murlaka, under Mount Albius, and contiguous to Istria, was the division of Liburnia occupied by the Iapydes. The positions of Flanona, Fianona; Tarsatica, Tersatz, near Fiumé; and Senia, Segna; may be recounted in succession, as being all on the shore of the Adriatic. The fite of Metulum, the principal city of the Iapydes, at the siege of which we find Augustus, while a triumvir, giving proofs of intrepidity, is not unknown when we observe the place named Metuc Vetus, in the country of Licka, among the mountains which the Iapydes inhabited. To this nation succeeded the Liburni, as far as the river Titius. In their territory Jadera was a city of the first rank, which Zara now holds under the title of a county. To which may be added Anona, or Nona, and Blandona, in a place named Zara Vecchia.

In Dalmatia, beyond the river Titius, now called Kerca, two principal nations are distinguished,

guished, the Autariatæ and Ardyæi. The first had primitively extended their power far beyond their limits; and it was with the second that the Romans had commenced the war on this continent. Scardona, on the right of the Titius, preferves its name without alteration; and that of Tragurium is now abbreviated into Trau. But the most considerable of the cities of this country, and which the retreat of Dioclesian has illustrated, is Salona, whose name still subsists in its ruins. Spalatro, which now predominates in the vicinity, derives its name from Aspalathos, which did not appear, as it is judged proper to inform the reader, till an age posterior to that of ancient geography.

The description of a strong place named Andetrium applies with signal propriety to the position of the fortress of Clissa, in the mountain, at no great distance from Salona, towards the north. Epetium is reduced to an inconsiderable place called Viscio, near to the castle of Almissa: and the name of Colonia, retained by a town distant from the sea, indicates the situation of Equam Colonia. Among the principal cities of ancient Dalmatia, Narona is buried in its ruins, at some distance from the right shore of the river Navo, whose modern name is Naronta.

Deiminium, a great city of the interior country, from whose name that of Dalmatia is thought to have been formed, having been very ill treated by a Roman commander, its fite now is not to be ascertained. If there be a well-defined figure of a peninsula on the coast of Illyricum, and to which the name of Hyllis deserves to be applied, it is that which is now named Sabioncello. Ragusa, which comes next in geographic order, was a city of the Lower Empire. But a little above, in a place vulgarly called Ragusi Vecchio, existed Epidaurus. Rhizinium, Butua, Olcinium, Risano, Budua, Dulcigno, may successively be named. The borderers of the lake Labeatis were distinguished by the name of Labeates; and at the issue of this lake the city Scodra subsists under the name of Scutari, or Iscodar, according to the usage of the Turks, whom this country, which has taken the name of Albania, obeys. The last place that we deem expedient to mention is Lissus, a little above the mouth of the Drilo, on the right in ascending, and making itself known by the name of Alesso, which comes from Elissus of the middle ages. Under the Greek emperors this place and the precedent were adjudged to a particular province called Pravalitana, comprised in the extent of a department formed under the title

by the Euxine Sea, and has thus no relation to the primitive and national state which contributes to form the object of ancient geography.

It remains that we speak of the isles adjacent to the coasts of Illyricum. The name of Absyrtides (in which some of the ancient authors have thought they have discerned that of Absyrthus, brother of Medea) appears to have regarded a collective number of these islands: a gulph called Flanaticus comprised them, and whose name would appear to be borrowed from Flavona, a maritime city of the first rank. Crepsa and Apsorus, are Cherso and Ossero; and as Arba retains the name of Arbe, Curicia should be referred to Veglia. Ciffa has taken the name of Pago from the principal place in the island, which, as well as the two preceding, are only separated by a narrow channel from the territory of the Iapydes. The name of Scardona, as an isle lying before the position of Jadera, cannot be applied with more propriety than to the Isola Grossa. Isa, or, as it is now called, Lissa, situated more in the distance, and inconsiderable by its extent, was nevertheless distinguished in the first war of the Romans in Illyricum. Pharus, which surpasses the other isles in magnitude, is denoted

noted at present by the name of the principal place in it, which is Lesina. The name of Brattia is pronounced Brazzia, and that of Corcyra is recognized in the present denomination of Curzola. The surname of Nigra, or the Black, distinguishes it from another more considerable of the same name, adjacent to the shore of Epirus. And Melite, now Meleda, at the end of Curzola, is the last of the isles wherewith the coast of Dalmatia is covered.

VI.

# ITALIA.

HERE is no idea of Italy more familiar than that of the renown which it acquires from having ruled over a great part of the ancient world, after having been the cradle of Roman greatness. We find it called Hesperia by the Greeks, as being westward in regard to them. The other names of Oenotria, and Ausonia, are borrowed from nations whose remote antiquity deprives us of all particular knowledge of them. The name of Italia comes, according to some authors, from a chief named Italus, who is no otherwise known. This name appertained properly to the part the most contracted between the two seas, by distinction from the country under the Alps, which is comprised in a more general manner in the name of Italy. The feas by which it is bounded were distinguished



guished between themselves by the names of Mart Superum, and Mare Inferum. The first extending with a declination from the east towards the fouth; deriving at the fame time, from a neighbouring city called Hadria, the name of Mare Hadriaticum, as Venice gives the modern name to this gulph. The illustrious nation of Tusci, called Tyrrheni by the Greeks, communicated to the inferior sea the name of Tuscum or Tyrrhenum. The extremity of Italy being washed by the sea which is adjacent to the continent of Greece, the name of Mare Ionium, or the Grecian Sea, distinguished this space from the Superior Sea, which is terminated by the heel of the boot, to which the figure of Italy is affimilated.

The propriety of treating the subject of Italia in separate articles, results from the observation already made on its name, as being more strictly applicable to one part of the country than to the other.

Proceeding from west to east, the accession made to Italy on the side of the Alps, and what is now called Lombardy, will precede Italy properly so called.

The establishments which the Gallic nations formed there had communicated to all this part

the name of Gaul; with the surname of Cisalpine, or on this side the Alps, regarding its situation in relation to Italy.

But, before entering upon this, it will be proper to shew what, on a general view, appear common to both regions of this continent. The chain of the Apennines, in detaching itself from the Alps, in the vicinity of the Inferior Sea, takes the direction of this coast to the point where, in quitting Cisalpine Gaul, it approaches the Superior Sea. Thence running through the whole length of Italy, more equally towards the middle of its breadth, it divides into two branches; one of which touches the extremity of the foot of the boot, the other the heel; but more in hills than in mountains towards these points.

The three islands of Sicily, Corsica, and Sardinia, will make a supplement to what the continent of Italy contains.

#### GALLIA CISALPINA.

It extends from the declivity of the Alps, which looks towards the east, to the strand of the Adriatic, or Superior Sea. The Rhætian nations, established in the Alps, confined the Cifalpine

alpine on the north; and the Sinus Ligusticus, called now the Gulph of Genoa, bounded them on the fouth. A current celebrated under the name of Rubico, which, formed of three brooks, is called at its mouth Fiumesino, separates it from Italy Proper, on the side of the Superior Sea; and a little river named Macra, on the Inferior. Cisalpine Gaul was also called Togata, because the people inhabiting it were gratified with the privilege of wearing the Roman Toga. The greatest river of all Italy, Padus, or the Po, issuing from the Alps, and traverling the whole breadth of the flat country from west to east, discharges itself into the Adriatic Sea by many mouths; affording in its course a distinction to the regions Cispadane and Transpadane, or this side and that of the Po, in relation to Italy. It receives a great number of tributary streams; the principal of which on the northern side, and slowing likewise from the Alps, are Duria Minor and Major, or Doria Riparia and Baltea; Sessites, Sesia; Ticinus, Tecino; Addua, Adda; Ollius, Oglio; which last traverses a lake named heretofore Sevinus, now Iseo. To these the Mincius, or Mincio, which issues from Benacus, or Lago di Garda, may be added. On the fouthern or right side, the Tanarus, Tanaro, descends from the Apennine, as well as Trebia, which preserves its name, and Tarus, or Taro: to which may be added, Scultena, which towards the sequel of its course assumes the name of Panaro; and lastly Rhenus, or the Reno, which the samous coalition called Triumvirate, formed in one of its islands, distinguishes in history. And these are the principal rivers of Cisalpine Gaul.

The country wherein the Celtic nations, on paffing the Alps, came to establish themselves, was occupied by the Tusci, or Tuscans; who in their primitive state were not confined to the limits which preserve their name in Italy. We read in Livy that the Gauls, having vanquished them near the Tesino, founded Mediolanam, or Milan, in the territory of the Insubres; whose name, according to Cæsar, was that of a canton dependant on the Ædui, or the community of Autun. And this event is referred in history to the time that Tarquinius Priscus reigned in Rome, or about fix hundred years before the Christian æra. The Taurimi occur first of the Cisalpine nations, at the descent of the Alps, where Hannibal met them in passing into Italy. Their capital, near the confluence of the Doria Riparia and the Po, took the name of Augusta; which it having changed for that of the people, according to the general practice of the Gallic cities, is now called Turin, or, as the Italians write it, Turino. But more immediately under the Alps, in afcending the Doria, is recognized Segusio, in Susa, as having been the residence of a prince named Cottius; who, by the favour of Augustus, was maintained in possession of it, to reign over a number of little communities cantoned in the mountains. This state, extending beyond the limits of Cisalpine Gaul, was not united to the empire till the reign of Nero. And we may mention Ocelum, now Usseau, in a gorge which affords also a passage into the Cisalpine to the fouth of Susa, as one of the towns of this principality. In a profound valley, covered by the Alpis Pennina and the Alpis Graia, or the Great and Little St. Bernard, which the Salassi occupied, a colony of Pretorians, established under the reign of Augustus, took the name of Augusta Pretoria; and that of Aousta still remains to this city. We read of the Libici, who inhabited the flat country, that they were descended from the Sayles, who are mentioned in Transalpine Gaul as a Ligurian people. Of cities to be recounted are Eporedia, or Ivica, on the Doria Baltea, which comes from the Val d'Aousta; Vercellæ, Vercelli, near the Sesia; Novaria, Novara, and Lu-

mellum, which has given the name to the district of Laumellin. Approaching Mediolanum, in the canton of the Insubres before mentioned, the name of Raudii Campi, memorable by a great victory of Marius over the Cimbri, is known in that of a small place now called Rhô. Laus Pompeia, is Lodi Vecchio. Ticinum, a little above the mouth of the Tesino, having taken thereafter the name of Papia, is now Pavia. Further on, in the canton where the Cenomani were established, Brexia is Brescia. Cremona on the Po, and Mantua, have preserved their names without alteration: this last, situated on a lake formed by the Mincio, has rendered itself immortal by the birth of Virgil. Bergomum, or Bergamo, may also be mentioned; and Comum, which being fast by the lake heretofore named Larius, whence the Adda issues, has caused it to be called Lago di Como. This city is distinguished in having produced Pliny the Younger, nephew to the naturalist. Passing to the south of the Po, we find a part of Cisalpine Gaul, separated under the special name of Lizuria. The Taurini, even on the anterior shore of the river, were reputed Ligurians: and we have seen the Ligurian people extending in Gaul between the Alps and Rhône. This great nation was not limited by the river

river Macra, which bounded the Cisalpine, but reached to the banks of the Arno, beneath the Apennine. Towards the place where this ridge leaves the Alps, the Vagienni occupied the northern acclivity, as the name of Viozenna, subsisting in this canton, sufficiently indicates: and the position of their capital, named Augusta, is that of an obscure place under the name of Vico, near Mondovi. Then come, and in the same situation, the Statielli; and the place of Aquæ Statiellæ subsists under the name of Aqui. Alba Pompeia and Asta retain their names in those of Alba and Asti, on the Tanaro; and an inconsiderable place named Polenza indicates Pollentia. The city named Industria by the Romans is not Casal, as was believed before its vestiges were discovered on the same river, much nearer to Turin. It was also called by the natives Bodincomagus, a name formed from that of Bodineus, which they applied to the Pô. The Forum Fulvii is known, by the furname of Valentinum, to be Valentia, below Cafal. The name of Dertona has suffered but little alteration in Tortona; and that of Iria may be developed in Voghera, on a little river of the same name. On the sea-coast, departing from the frontier of Gaul, we find two people,

people, the Intemelli and Ingauni; and their cities, Albium Intemellium, and Albium Ingaunum, are Vintimiglia and Albengua. Vada Sabatia, now Vado, is a place known in antiquity, as was Savano upon the same coast. It is well known that, towards the fummit of an inlet, formed by the gulph, which from the Ligurians was called Ligustic; Genua, Genoa, becoming a capital city, has communicated its name to that gulph. At the extremity of this Ligurian shore, Portus Veneris, retaining its name in Porto Venere, is remarked at the entrance of a little bay, now the Gulph of Spetia; but which from the city of Luna, situated on the further bank of the river Macra, was called Portus Lunensis. The gentile name of Briniates subsists in that of Brugneto, at some distance from the sea. And, lastly, a city called Apua, which caused the Ligurians to be distinguished by the name of Apuani, has only appeared to be removed from our knowledge because concealed under that of Pontremoli.

What remains of the Cisalpine was Gallic, and not Ligurian. The Boil and Linguis, on their arrival in this country, finding other Gauls already established in the region called Transpadane, passed the river, and conquered from the Tuscans the lands situated between that and the Apennine.

Apennine. These nations were both Celtic: the latter coming directly from the territory of Langres; while we find the former dissuing their name in Germany, Noricum, Pannonia, and Illyricum. The Boii settled themselves in the mountains; and the Lingones down the river, in the vicinity of the sea. There is also mentioned another people under the name of Ananes, or Anamani. The Sevenes, or those of Sens, arriving last, and entering upon Umbria, passed the boundaries that distinguished the Cisalpine from Italy Proper. In after-times these countries were called Flaminia and Amilia, from the military roads so denominated, which intersected each other in their territories.

In the order which we have adopted, no city presents itself before Placentia, or Placenza, on the Po, near the mouth of the Trebia; and which the first victory of Hannibal over the Romans has rendered famous: and not long since there were discovered the vestiges of a city in this canton whose name was Veleia. Following the Emilian Way beyond Placenza, we find Florentia, called by a diminutive, Fieranzuolo; Fidentia, now Borgo-di-San-Dominio; and Parma, at the confluence of a river of the same name, and the

Taro\*. We willingly deviate a little to the right, to observe that Forum Novum is Fornove, where the valour of the French displayed itself in the return of Charles VIII. from his enterprize on the kingdom of Naples. But resuming the traces of the same way, Regium Lepidi (Emilii understood) is Regio; Mutina, Modena; and Bononia, Bologna; which before the Gauls, and under the Tuscans, had the name of Felfina. Then come Forum Cornelii, now Imola; Faventia, Faenza; Forum Livii, Forli; and Cesena, which preserves its name under the same form. Brixellum, Bresello, may be added near the entrance of the Taro in the Pô. It is thought that Forum Allieni existed on the site that Ferrara now occupies.—But the most celebrated of cities in this part of the Cisalpine is Ravenna, at the bottom of the Adriatic Gulph; for after having been the residence of the emperors of the west, while Rome was possessed by barbarians, it became that of a governor established under the title of Exarch, by the eastern emperors; who, at the time of the domination

Rather at the junction of the Parma and the Pô, as it is expressed in the map.

of the Lombards in Italy, were in possession of what is now called Romagna. Augustus had caused a port to be excavated at Ravenna, for the purpose of a rendezvous and arsenal for a fleet in the Superior Sea; as that of Misena, in the neighbourhood of Naples, was in the Inferior. The sea retiring from its shores, has left the place where this port existed at a considerable distance in the land, but which nevertheless preserves the name of Classé.—We must now speak of the mouths of the Pô. The nearest to Ravenna derives the name of Spineticum Ostium from a very ancient city founded by the Greeks, called Spina. They applied to it specially the name of Eridanus, by which the Pô is sometimes denominated. This channel was also named Padusa; and, at the place where the city of Ferrara is situated, there separates from it a channel named Volana, which preserves this name, and communicates it to its mouth. The principal arm of the Pô only arrives at the sea by dividing itself into many channels, whose issue was called Septem Maria, the Seven Seas.

There remains to be described a Canton of the Cisalpine country, under the name of Venetia. Common same would bring the Veneti from Asia,

Asia, under the conduct of Antenor, after the de-Arudion of Troy. Be this as it may, they were in possession of the country which envelopes in part the head of the Adriatic Gulph, in a time anterior to the foundation of Rome, and while the Tuscans were extended in the Transpadane. The greatest river of Venetia is Athesis, or the Adigé, which rifes in Rhetia; as does also Medogeus, which has taken the name of Brenta, and Plavis, or Piava. Tajamentus, or Tagliamento; Sentius, or Lisonzo, descend from the Alps, distinguished in this part by the name of Carnica, which separate Venetia from Noricum. The first city that appears is Hadria, the name of which is also written Atria. It is attributed to the ancient Tuscans, and it still preserves the name Adria. Pajavium, or Padua, is spoken of as the most illustrious city of this district, and the circumstance from which it derives most honour is the giving birth to Titus Livius. There is no mention of Venice, as a city in antiquity, but only as a port called Venetus. It is well known that the entrance of Attila into Italy, and the ruin of cities spreading terror through the country, caused a multitude of people to seek refuge among the lakes or lagunes which the sea

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forms upon that fenny shore. This was the beginhing of a city which has fince been so much distinguished by fuccessful commerce, and confequent aggrandizement of power. Attifte, now Este, and Vicentia, Vicenza, are in the vicinity of Padua. Verona, a considerable city, and which produced Catullus, and Pliny the naturalist, retaining its name without alteration, is seated on the Adigé. The ruins of Altinum preserve the name of Altino. Tarvisium is Treviso; Opitergium is Oderzo; and the name of Concordia subsists in the place which that city occupied. But, without going further, we must speak of the Euganei, who are said to have inhabited the maritime country before the arrival of the Venetians; who drove them, as it would appear, into the mountains which make part of Rhetia, where we find them afterwards established. Another people, named Carni, occupied the northern side of Venetia, to the foot of those mountains which from them were named the Carnian Alps; and the same name subsists in that which is now called Carniola, though more contracted in limits than the territories of the Carni. The polition of a city lituated at the foot of the mountains, and named Julium Carnicum, is found in the name of Zuglio, which is

no more than an obscure village: and these mountains were called Alpes Julia, as well as Carnica. Forum Julii is maintained in Ciudal-di-Friuli, in the province of Friuli. Vedinum is Udino in the same province. But the city which was most considerable heretofore in this territory is Aquileia, not far from the sea, and the Lisonzo. It was a colony founded to ferve as a barrier to Cisalpine Gaul, while the more remote provinces were not yet subjected; but it has never recovered from the devastation that it suffered from Attila. Beyond Aquileia, a little river, which meets the sea at a short distance from its numerous fountains, is celebrated in antiquity under the name of Timavus, now Timao. Tergeste, or Trieste, at the bottom of the gulph from it named Tergestimus, was the last city in Italy before Histria was annexed to it. This little province heretofore was numbered among the dependencies of Illyricum; but was detached from them, and added to Italy, by Augustus. By this augmentation, the little river of Arfia, which has not changed its name, ferved for the limits of Italy. A city which has taken the name of Cabo d'Istria, was heretofore called Ægida; and Parentium preserves its name in that of Parenzo. But the principal city of Istria

Istria was Pola, preserving the same name, at the head of a deep inlet or creek. Another accession that Italy obtained on the distribution of the provinces under Augustus, passes the Carnian Alps, in their declination from the north to the east; extending over that country which retains the gentile name of Carni, in Carniola, and comprehends Æmona, which has taken the name of Laybach. And a place of some celebrity, under the name Nauportus, at the soot of the mountains, takes also the name of Laybach, with the distinction of Ober, or Upper; borrowing their common name from a stream that runs into the Save.

## ITALIA.

The country which the Tusci retained after having lost what they occupied beyond the limits of Italy Proper, is the first that presents itself in these limits. And this nation, which was there known more particularly under the name of Etrusci, gave the name of Etrusci, gave the name of Etrusca to all that which borders the western bank of the Tiber, from its source in the Apennine to the sea. According to the prevalent opinion, the Etruscans, named Tyrrheni by the Greeks, were originally Meonians

Meonians of Lydia, in what is commonly called Afia Minot. They diffinguished themselves in the arts at a time when they were little known to their neighbours. The frivolous science of augury also was peculiar to them. The country extending along the sea, from the Macra to the mouth of the Tiber, is bounded on the north by the Apennine, as by the Tiber towards the east. The greatest giver that it comprises is the Arnus, or Arno, which tends towards the west, to render itself in the sea. The Umbro, or Ombrone, may be mentioned, which the sea also receives; and the Clanis, or Chiaca, which falls into the Tiber.

The foot of the mountains was inhabited by a Ligurian people, distinguished by the name of Magelii, which we recognize under that of Mugello, still appertaining to a valley north of Florence. The nation or body politic of the Etruscans comprised twelve people, to which as many cities gave the name: and it is remarked that these cities were scattered at a distance from the Arno; if we except Arezzo, which approaches it. There only exist some ruins of Luna, at the entrance of the country on the banks of the Macra, and the name of Lunegniano in its environs. Luca, Luca; Pisa; Pistoria, Pistoria,

Pistoia; and Florentia, Florence, which is situated towards the source of the Arno, as Pisa towards its mouth, do not appear among the number of the ancient Etruscan communities; being, as well as Sena-Julia, Sienna, almost in the centre of Etruria, of an after age. But Arretium, Arezzo; Cortona, which retains its name; Perusia, Perugia; and Clusium, Chiusi, in the same canton of Etruria towards the east, are of those. Trasimenus Lacus, which the defeat of the Romans by Hannibal has rendered memorable, being in the province of Perugino, is now called Lago di Perugia. Turning towards the sea, Livorno, or Leghorn, must be mentioned, under the ancient denomination of Portus Herculis Labronis, or Liburni. Volaterra, Volterra, more interior and inclining towards Sienna, was among the Etruscan cities. Again approaching the sea, a city which had held a distinguished rank among those of Etruria, and from which Rome, in the dawn of the republic, borrowed the exterior ornaments of the magistrature, was Vetulonii, whose site cannot be ascertained by any vestiges. We recognize more precisely those of Populonium, on a point projected towards an illand, whose name of *Ilva* is pronounced Elba, and celebrated heretofore for its mines of iron.

Ruselia, another of the Etruscan cities, is found in the name of Rosella, which its ruins bear. The same may be remarked of Cosa, near the lake of Orbitello. But the Portus Herculis, surnamed Cosani by distinction from several others, subsists in Porto Hercole. A little above the mouth of the river Marta, which, retaining the same name, issues from the Lacus Vulfiniensis, an ancient position called the Turchina indicates that of Tarquinii; and Vulsinii, another chief place of an Etruscan people, is Bolsena, upon the borders of the lake. The extremity of ancient Etruria, towards the lower part of the Tiber, comprised three more cities. The place which Falerii, the city of the Falisci, occupied, is named Palari, although abandoned. Veii, capital of the Veientes, distinguished by so obstinate a resistance to the Romans, existed on an eminence adjacent to a place named Isola. And Cære is now called Cer-Veteri. On the sea, the port which was a work of Trajan, under the name of Centum Celer, is Civita-Vecshia: and the Portus Augusti, excavated by Claudius, and to which Trajan added an interior basin, still preserves the name of Porto, although entirely covered with earth and fand accumulated by the Tiber.

This river, directing its course from north to south,

Touth, borders successively Ombria, Sabina, and Latium. The *Umbri* are spoken of as a nation the most ancient in Italy. Not being at first bounded by the Rubicon, they extended to the Po, in the vicinity of Ravenna. The Apennine, after having given birth to the Tiber, traverses obliquely the country to which the name of Umbria was appropriated. The part inclosed between the Superior Sea and the mountain, was invaded by the Gallic nation of Senones; and the river Æsis, or Iesi, separated it from Picenum. The famous Rubicon is only a channel by which several united torrents are discharged, and to which the name of Fiumesino is given. Some miles distant, Ariminum, Rimini, at the mouth of a river of the same name, was the first town on entering Italy. Beyond, and on the same shore, Pisaurum is Pesaro; Fanum Fortuna, Fano; and Sena Gallica, Senigaglia. We must ascend the Æsis to find a city of the same name, now Iesi. And likewise, at some distance from the sea, Forum Sempronii, on the Metaurus, or Metro, famous for the defeat of Asdrubal, brother to Annibal, is Fossombrone. We find two cities of the name of Urbinum; and that to which the surname of Hortense belonged, is the Urbino of the present day. Camerinum, the re-M 2 motest motest of their cities in this part, citerior, or hither, respecting the Apennine, exists in Camerino. In the ulterior division, Tifernum, distinguished from another by the surname of Tiberinum, is now called Citta di Castello. Iguvium and Nuceria, at the soot of the Apennine, Tuder on the Tiber, Spoletium at some distance from it, Narina on the Nar, or Nera, which falls into the Tiber, and Ameria, are known to be Gubio, Nocera, Todi, Spoleto, and Amelia. Spoleto receives a distinction among the cities of Ombria, for having given its name to a considerable duchy in a time posterior to the ages of antiquity.

But an appendage to ancient Ombria, by continuity on the superior sea, is Picenum. Ancona, that derives its name from its situation in the angle which a slexure of the coast forms, has given the title of a marquisate to the greater part of the territory of the Picentes. Other principal cities in this canton, are Auximum, Firmum, and Ascalam (the last being on a river named Tructus, now Tronto), and which retain their names, with altered orthography and pronunciation, in Osmo, Fermo, and Ascoli. We may also add the territory of the Pratutii, whose principal city, Hadria, exists under the name of Atri.

Atri. The limits of *Picenum* are sometimes extended to the river *Aternus*; at the mouth of which a city named *Aternum* has taken the name of Pescara.

The Sabini, of which Sabinna now preserves the name, succeed the Umbrians on the same bank of the Tiber, as far as the river Anic, which is Teverone. It may be said in general of this people, that it was reputed one of the most ancient in Italy, without entering into a discussion of the diversity of traditions on this subject. They are said to have migrated from a place near the city of Amiternum, to settle at Reate, which is Rieti, extending themselves to the Tiber. They founded a city named Cures, from which was derived the name of Quirites, which the orators gave to the Roman people in public addresses. This city was, nevertheless, reduced to an inconsiderable place in the time of the Roman greatness, and the site of it is thought to be found under the name of Correse. Near to a city named Cutilite, whose ruins are in the neighbourhood of a place called Citta-Ducali, is a small lake, reputed the navel of Italy, being equally distant from either sea. Nursia, or Norcia, beneath the Apennine, and now beyond the limits of Sabinna, is attributed to the Sabines.

Among the many cities which made some sigure in history during the first ages of Rome, but now for the most part obliterated, must be distinguished *Tibur*, on the Teverone, the allurements of whose situation have caused it to be celebrated; and its name, by the change of some letters, has taken the form of Tivoli.

We have now arrived at Latium, from which issued that power which extended itself in the three parts of the ancient world. The Latini, the principal people of this territory, occupied the space between the Tiber, the Teverone, and the sea: a space that made but a small part of Latium; whose limits, by the accession of many other people, correspond with the modern Campagna di Roma. Of these people, the most powerful and most difficult to reduce were the Volsci. It is agreeable to our plan to give some particular description of a city, which from the feeblest beginnings arrived to domination, which affords the principal objects of ancient history.

ROME, for whose site at sirst Mount Palatin was sufficient, covered, at the time of the abolition of the regal government, seven hills; from which circumstance it acquired the name of Urbs Septicollis. These eminences, besides the Palatinus, are the Capitolinus, Quirinalis, Viminalis, Esqui-

linus, Cælius, and Aventinus. The Janiculum, beyond the Tiber, was not numbered among the feven hills. The wall that inclosed them, and extended to the Janiculum, was finished by Servius Tullius towards the end of the second age of Rome; and a rampart called Agger, covering the Quirinal, the Viminal, and the Esquilin, was a work of his fuccessor Tarquin the Proud. The Campus Martius, now the most populous part of the city, was then beyond the wall, and without habitations. This inclosure, religiously respected as the cradle of the infant empire, subfisted not only to the last times of the republic, but for many ages under the emperors; and of the fourteen regions or wards into which Augustus divided this city, many were without this line. But by a new division made under Aurelian, elevated to the empire in the two-hundred and seventieth year of the Christian æra, its walls were advanced far beyond the Capitolian Mount, towards the north; and there is reason to believe that the present barrier of Rome, if we except the part of Tras-Tevere, which furrounds Vatican, represents that of Aurelian. Not to transgress the narrow limits of an abridgment, we shall only add, that at the foot of the Capitol, on one fide of the Forum Romanum, now

Aureum, or gilded milliary column, whence iffued, as from a common centre, the great roads which conducted to different parts of Italy. And, for a more ample detail of what concerns Rome, the reader is referred to a Memoir inferted in vol. xxx. of the Memoirs of the Academy.

As to the principal places in Latium, Office, for called from its fituation upon the principal of the two mouths of the Tiber, subsists under the same name, though not exactly in its former place; the river having protracted its bank by an accumulation of earth in the succession of ages. It is thought Lavinium, a city whose foundation tradition ascribes to Æneas, to whom the Romans affected to owe their establithment in Italy, existed in a place now called Pratica, at some distance from the sea. Another place, in a fimilar fituation, bore the name of Ardea, and was the capital of the Rutuli, who fought with the Trojans, companions to Æneas. There subsists of Antium but the name of Anzio, and fome traces of its port, a little on this side a place called Nettuno. Circeii, which was faid to have been the dwelling of Circe, discovers itself in the name of Monte Circello; opposite to which Pontia, or Ponza, is an island in the

open sea. At the issue of the Paludes Pomptinæ, or the Pontine Marshes, which extend along the sea, is seated, on an eminence, Terracina, preserving its name without alteration. And the Via Appia, the most celebrated of the Roman ways, passes over these morasses. Cajeta, Gaeta, on a point of land, precedes the mouth of the Liris, or Gariglian, which falls into the fea under Minturnæ, after having traversed the extremity of Latium. Receding from the neighbourhood of Rome, to furvey the interior of this country, Tusculum first occurs, and whose agreeable situation answers to that of Frascati. It is thought that Alba-longa, the rival of Rome, and of more ancient foundation, existed in a place whose name is now Palazzo. Praneste, which had a citadel, is Palestrina. Anagnia, Anagni, was the principal city of a people named Hernici. The Æqui inhabited further on the frontier of the Sabins. The position of Suesta Pometia, which held the first rank among the cities of the Volsci, cannot be afcertained. That of Corioli, from which an illustrious Roman acquired the title of Coriolanus, is equally unknown. But we may cite Arpinum, Arpino, for being the native city of Marius and Cicero.

Campania, Campagna, succeeds to Latium. This

This is the country of Italy which nature appears to have most favoured; the beauty and fertility of which being much celebrated in antiquity. It made the principal of what is now named Terra di Lavoro. Its extent along the sea is carried to the limits of Lucania; and it is bounded on its interior side by Samnium. The Vuliurnus, or Volturno, is the most considerable of its rivers. Capua, the magnificent and delightful city, has not preserved its position; but has taken another on the Volturno, about three miles distant, opposite to that which a city named Casilinum occupied, but where its pristine splendour and greatness have not followed it. Neapolis, Naples, a Greek city, as were many others on the same shore, bore primitively the name of Parthenope, said to be that of a Syren, and has profited by the decline of Capua. Puteoli, Pouzzola, Baiæ, or Baya, in the vicinity of Naples, are places celebrated for their delights; Misenum, for being the station of a Roman fleet; and Cuma, for the incantations and pretended prophecies of a Sybil of the same name. Opposite the promontory of Misenum is an isle named Anaria, now Ischia, which has experienced extraordinary conflicts from subterranean fires, if we may believe the ancient writers. On the fouth

fouth side of the gulph called Crater, or Bassin, the isle of Caprea, of which Augustus made the acquisition, and which the debaucheries of his successor Tiberius have rendered infamous, preferves its name in that of Capri. A particular people, the Picentini, extended beyond that; and Salernum, Salerno, a maritime city, is to be mentioned in this district. What bore the name of Picentia remains but a heap of ruins, with the name of Bicenza. Retiring from the shore by Nuceria, or Nocera, we shall mention Nola, which preserves the orthography of its name. The Vesuvius Mons has given occasion to call this part of Campania by the Greek name of Phlegræus Campus, or the burned country. Returning by Capua, Suessa Aurunca, and Teanum Sidicinum, which the names of ancient people have caused thus to be surnamed, are now Sezza and Tiano; and we shall conclude what we think incumbent on us to fay of Campania, with Venafrum, or Venafro. Adding, withal, that the celebrated vineyard of Falernium was in the vicinity of the sea, between Sinuesa and Feanum.

We proceed now to the description of Samnium; and under this article will be comprised all that which extends from Sabinna and Pice-

num to Apulia; or, otherwise, from the limits of Latium and Campania to the Superior Sea. The Apennine runs obliquely through the length of this space. It is well known how much exercife the martial nation of Sammites afforded the Roman arms during many ages. They are said to be descended from the first Sabins, and their name is Saunites in the Greek writers. In departing from Campania, a defile conducts by Caudium to Beneventum, Benevento, whose name was anteriorly Maleventum. And a small place in this passage preserves, in its name of Forchie, the memory of a fignal difgrace fuffered by a Roman army. The Hirpini occupied this extremity of country to the confines of Lucania; wherein were comprised Abellinum, Avellino, and Compla, Conza. In Sammium, properly so called, Borianum, Æsernia, Austdena, are Boiano, Isernia, and Alfidena. Among many separate people, the Mars, contiguous to the Sabins, must be distinguished; as we see them in history contending fingly with the Romans. They inhabited the borders of the Lacus Fucinus, which from a place in its environs is now called Lago di Celano; and near to it we find the ruins of Marubium, the principal city of this nation. Alba, surnamed Fucersis, from its proximity to

the Fusin Lake, preserves its name. Among the Peligni, who were adjacent, Corfinum, which was the place of arms of the people leagued against the Romans in the Social War, has declined into a very finall place named San-Perino: but Sulmo, the native place of Ovid, exists in Solmona. Amiternum is known only by some vestiges near a city called Aquila. Pinna, of the Vestini, exists in Civita di Penna; and Teate, of the Marracini, in Civita di Chieti. All this country is called Abruzzo. The name of Anxanum, in the territory of the Frentani, is preserved in that of Anciano, not far from the river Sagrus, or Sangro, and that of Larinum in Larino. Teanum Apulium, on the coast of Fronto, or Forrore, which borders Apulia, is a ruined place, distinguished by the name of Civitate.

It must here be remarked, that what remains to be surveyed of the continent of Italy is distinguished among the authors of antiquity by the name of Magna Gracia, from the number of Greek colonics there established. We find sometimes the name of Apulia extending to the heel of this continent, although this extremity be more commonly denominated Iupygia, or Messapia. That of Apulia subsists under the sorm of Puglia.

Puglia. Aufidus, or Ofanto, descending from the Apennine, traverses the country with a rapid course. The Mons Garganus, now Monte Sant Angelo, covers a land far advanced in the sea, making the spur of the boot to which the figure of Italy is compared. This fide of Apulia peculiarly bore the name of Daunia, as having been the domain of Daunus, father-in-law of Diomede, who, on his return from the war of Troy, establishing himself in this country, founded the city of Arpi, whose site preserves its name; and another city near the sea, Salapia, which, from the infalubrity of the air, was tranfferred to the polition where that name remains in Salpe. We find traces of Sipuntum, or Sipus, near Manfredonia, which is a new city. Lucaia preserves its name in Lucera. Venusia, the natal city of Horace, preserves its situation at the foot of the Apennine, in the name Venosa; Canufum, in Canosa; and near to this city the fatal field of Canna is known by the same name. An intermediate part between Daunia and Messapia was distinguished by the name of Peucetia; and Barium, or Bari, was its maritime city. Iapygia. among the Greek writers, is not comprehended within the same limits as Messapia; it extends to that other part which is called Apulia. This

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canton is at the same time the country of the ancient Calabri, distant from that which in a posterior age took the name of Calabria. The Salentini appear likewise a people of ancient Calabria. Tarentum, or Taras according to the Greeks, is Tarento, which the Lacedæmonians occupied, and which was the occasion of the coming of Pyrrhus into Italy. This city has communicated its name to the gulph that advances into this extremity of the continent. Brundusium, Brindisi, on the Adriatic Sea, was the port most frequented for passing between Italy and Greece. Lupiæ, now Lecce, had contiguous to it another city named Rudia, which the birth of Ennius, the most celebrated of the first Latin poets, has illustrated. The polition approaching nearest to the continent of Greece is Hydruntum, now Otranto. The land's end of Italy was called Iapygium, or Salentinum Promontorium; and, returning towards the interior part of the gulph, we find Callipolis fublisting in Gallipoli.

The country which bore the name of Lucania brings us back to the bottom of the Gulph of Tarentum, and extends thence across the instep (to pursue the allusion) to the Inferior Sea. The Apennine making the division of its streams, Silarus, or the Silaro, directs its course towards this sea; the Aciris or Agri, the Bra-

danus or Bradano, which flow along the limits of Iapygia, render themselves in the gulph. At a little distance from the mouth of the Silarus, Pæstum, which the Greeks named Posidonia, as a city consecrated to Neptune, preserves its maritime position, but in ruins, with the name of Pesti; while the city of Salerno communicates its name to a gulph which was called Pæstanus. We must here mention Helea, or Velea, a Phocian colony, which derives celebrity from the stoic school of Zeno, and is now replaced by the city of Castello-a-mare della Brucca. Buxentum, which fellows, or Pyxis, according to the Greek manner of writing it, has taken the name of Policastro. A little river named Laus, now Laino, makes the termination of Lucania on this shore. In the interior country, a city named Abellinum, being distinguished by the surname of Marsicum, is recognized in Marsico Vetere. Potentia exists in Potenza; and although to cross the Brandano is to pass the limits of Lucania, we shall here mention Acheruntia, as preserving its name in that of Acerenza. On the shore of this gulph, Metaponium, where Pythagoras taught his doctrine, and Heraclea, and Sybaris, have left few or no traces: the first being nearest to Tarentum, the second between the two rivers Aciris and

and Siris, and the third between a river of the name of the city and another called Crathis. The Sybarites were a people much condemned for the licentiousness of their manners: and their city having been destroyed by the Crotonians, other Greeks, among whom was Herodotus the historian, was afterwards re-established under the name of Thurii, which it maintained till it ceased to exist.

That which is now called Calabria, fouth of ancient Lucania, was occupied by the Brutii. Crathis and Næthus, Crati and Neto, were its principal rivers. A vast forest, which afforded turpentine, was called Bruttia Sila; and in the Apennine we have still the name of Sila. The position of the city which bore the name of Pandosia, cannot be found; but Roscianum and Consentia are evidently Rosano and Cosenza. Petilia, built by Philoctetes after his return from the Trojan war, has taken the name of Strongoli. Croton, which was a great city, has taken the name of Crotona. The neighbouring promontory, where the Gulph of Tarento terminates, and named Lacinium, is called Cabo della Colonna, from the ruins of a temple to Juno which appear there. We shall mention some rocks that lie off this cape, because among other names under

under which they appear in antiquity, we find that of the Isle of Calypso. On one side of that part of the continent the most contracted between two gulphs, Scylacium discovers itself in Squillaci; and on the other, Hipponium, having also borne the name of Vibo, is found in that of Bivona. Tropæa and Nicotera are literally the fame. Mamertum, of which the name might be common to the Mamertins, in favour of whom we see the Romans first landing in Sicily, appears applicable to the polition of a city whole present name is Oppido. There remain two cities worthy of notice, Rhegium and Locri: this last, from the proximity of a promontory named Zephyrium, acquired from its founders the furname of Epi-Zephyrii; and a place called Mottadi-Burzano preserves its remains. The situation of Rhegium, which retains the name of Regio, on the Fretum Siculum, or the strait which separates the main land of Italy from Sicily, has brought us nearer than any other to this island.

HOWEVER, before making the passage, we shall take a transient survey of the great Roman ways, which occur not less frequently in history than in geographical treatises. They are distinguished for the most part by the names of their constructors. It is well known that they were measured

measured from mile to mile; and that columns called milliary, at each mile, were inscribed with an indication of the distance; and this was practised in every province subjected to the empire.

The Via Appia, approaching the sea at Terracina, conducts to Capua, then to Benevento; whence it leads to Brindici by two routs, the right by Venosa, the lest by Tarento, passing along the coast of the Adriatic from Bari. From Capua there issued another road, which, traversing Lucania and Brutium, extended to Regio on the Sicilian Strait.

The Via Flaminia directed its course northward, towards the shore of the Adriatic or Superior Sea, to Rimini, where it terminated. The Æmilia succeeding, penetrated into Cisalpine Gaul: not to mention a branch of this way, which, passing along the margin of the Adriatic Gulph at its bottom, conducted to Aquileia. In the interval of the Appian and Flaminian, two other ways, Valeria and Salaria, coast along the sea: the first, passing through Corsinium, arrives at Aternum; the second, by Reate, is continued to Ancona.

The Via Aurelia, traverling the maritime parts of Etruria, and those of the Ligustic Gulph, enters by Nice into Gaul, where our Provençals

still call it Camin Aurelian. Another way named Claudia, separated from the Flaminian near Rome, ran through the middle of Etruria, and joined the Aurelian in approaching Luna. This is all that the nature of the work permits to be said of the Roman ways: and it was judged necessary to give a general idea of the subject.

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The degree of importance in which these roads were held, may be inserred from the practice of inscribing on a milliary column the date of the emperor's reign wherein any part of the road was repaired. There are twenty-fix of these columns preserved in the city of Nisnes, all found in its neighbourhood, on the Domitian way, which crosses the Rhône at Tarrascon, ten miles below Avignon; and, passing through Nisnes and Narbonne, conducts to Carthagena in Spain; and has served as the foundation for the modern post road from Madrid to Rom. Here follows an exact transcript of one of them:

IMP. CÆSAR DIVI HADRIAN.

F. T. ÆLIVS HADRI ANVS ANTONINVS

AVG. PIVS

FINTIF. MAK. TRIB. POT.

Vir. IMP. II. Cos. IIIIs

P. P.

RESTITVIT

11.

We might afford occasion for censure, were we to omit here the mention of a division made by Augustus of Italy into eleven regions, and which is fully delineated only in Pliny. The first consisted of Latium and Campania, to the river Silarus. The fecond encroaches on that which we have seen belonging to Samnium, including the Hirpini; extending thence in Apulia, and the more ancient country of the Calabrians, to the Iapygian promontory. Lucania, and the country of the Bruttians, composed the third. The fourth, reputed to include the most martial people of Italy, comprised Sabina, and the rest of Samnium. Picenum, one of the most populous countries of Italy, appears to have constituted the fifth region. Umbria made the fixth; and Etruria, to the river Macra, the seventh: which completed ancient Italy, precisely so called. What has been distinguished under the name of Cisalpine, a distinction which Augustus appeared willing to destroy, was divided only into four regions. The eighth region of Italy then extended, between the Apennine and the river Po,

That is, Imperator Cæjar divi Hadriani filius T. Ælius Hadrianus Antoninus Augusius Pius, Pontifex Maximus. Tri-hunitia Potestate 82, Imperatorio 20, Consule 40, poni præmonuit. Restituit.

II. or the second mile from Nismes.

to Placentia inclusively. Liguria, in ascending the same bank of the river to the summit of the Alps, made the ninth. What was called Transpadane likewise composed two regions. In the tenth Venetia and the country of the Carni were comprehended. The eleventh comprised the space between the limits of Venetia and the Pennine or higher Alps. But we do not see that sufficient use has been made of this division to render the knowledge of it very interesting. It appears proper in this place to subjoin an observation on that which made a great juridical district under the emperors. The prefecture of Rome extended to the Centesimus Lapis, or the hundredth milliary column, on the great roads that issued from the city: and one of these boundaries, on the Flaminian way, is recognized in a place called Ponte Centesimo. We pass now to the islands adjacent to Italy.

## SICILIA. CORSICA. SARDINIA.

The name of Sicilia is less ancient than that of Sicaria, if the Sicari possessed this island before the Sicari, who are made to issue from Italy before the Trojan expedition, and to reduce the Sicari to a corner of the island towards the west.

It is well known that the three points which determine the figure of Sicily caused it to be called Trinacria. Having received Greek colonies before the Carthaginians became powerful there, it afforded three different languages; the Roman, the Greek, and the Punic. A chain of mountains extends, near the northern shore, from the promontory of Pelorum, now Cape Faro, which contracts the strait. These mountains, which were called Heræi (that is to fay, of Juno), and Nebrodes, detach branches which stretch towards the fouth. Many rivers affembled under the name of Simæthus, now Giarretta, fall into the sea at the foot of Ætna, on the eastern shore: and Himera, now Fiume Salso; with Camicus, or Fiume di Platani, on the southern.

Messana, Messina, very near to Pelorum, had the name of Zancle, before the Messinians, driven from the Peloponnesus by the Lacedæmonians, established themselves there. Tauromenium, which follows, preserves its name in Taormina; and the little river Acis, celebrated in fable, gives its name to Castel d'Iaci. This stream issues from the most famous of volcanos, Ætna; whose modern name of Gibello is formed from the appellative term for a mountain in the language of the Arabs, to whose domination Sicily was subjected

jected by conquest from the Greek emperors of Constantinople. Catana, retaining its name, borders on the sea, at the foot of Ætna. The plains which succeeded were the dwellings of the Læstragones, ancient and savage inhabitants of the country, as well as the Cyclopes; and Leentini is recognized on these plains in the name Lentini. Syracuse, the most considerable of the cities of Sicily, and much celebrated in Greek and Roman history, retains indeed the name of Syragusa, but only in a little insulated point heretofore named Ortygia, which made one of the regions of a vast city. Neætum may be noted as one of three parts in which modern Sicily is distinguished, and is called Val di Noto. At no great distance from the sea, Helorum preserves its vestiges, which in these places are called Muri-Ucci; and the delightful aspect of this region caused it to be called Helorina Tempe. The name of the southern promontory, which was Pachynum, is now Passaro. Camarina, a Syracusian colony, preserves with its vestiges the name of Camarana. Gela was situated a little above the modern position of Terra-Nova. Crossing the river Himera, which separates the dependences of Syracuse from those which obeyed the Carthaginians, we find Agrigentum, or, according to the Greeks, Agracas, whose vestiges are called Girgenti Vecchio, near the modern city of Girgenti. Beyond the Camicus, and another river named Hypsa, now Belici, Selynús, of Syracusian foundation, is buried under ruins, which afford an high idea of its ancient fplendour. But, before arriving there, we may remark the thermæ, or warm baths, surnamed Selinuntiæ, which are found near a place named Sciacca. Mazarum, which follows Selynus, and which was dependent on it, is only remarkable in being one of the three divisions of Sicily, and called Val di Mazara. The western promontory of this island, and which is nearest to Africa, preferves the name Lilybaum in that of Boeo; but the city of the same name with the promontory is now called Marsalla. A curved point of land gave it the name of Drepanum\*, which it preserves, with little alteration, in Trapani; and above this city rifes mount Eryx, celebrated by a temple which was faid to have been dedicated to Venus by Eneas, and to which a citadel named San Giuliano has succeeded. Trojans, established in this canton of Sicily, occupied, further on, Egesta or Segeste, which exists no more. Panormus,

<sup>\*</sup> From Speram, Talx, a scythe or scimitar.

thus named by the Greeks for its port\*, is known for the capital city, with a little alteration, in the name of Palermo. Himera, having in its environs baths under the appellative name of Thermæ, a maritime city, retains this name in that of Termini. Cephalædis exists in Cefalu. The name of Tyndari remains to the ancient site of Tyndaris. Melazzo represents Mylæ; and it was between this city and a place named Naulochus, that the fleet of Sextus Pompeius was destroyed by that of the triumvir Octavius. The enumeration of these positions leads us back to Pelorum, whence we took our departure to follow the three coasts which make the contour of Sicily.

Entering into a description of the interior of the island, we should, among many other places, remark Halycia+, which preserves the signification of its Greek name in that of Salemé. The site of Entella, which is very advantageous for a fortress, retains its name though the place is destroyed. Enna, reputed the centre of the island and famous for having been the supposed dwelling of Ceres and Proserpine, is named Castro

<sup>\*</sup> From wie, omnie, and was featie navium.

<sup>\*</sup> From zizzzija

Janni; or, by a more distant deviation from the ancient name, Castro Giované. The name Menæ, of a city constructed by an ancient Sicilian prince, exists in that of Mineo. The honey of Hybla was proverbially celebrated: and we find several cities of this name in Sicily. But that under present consideration is distinguished by the surname of Major, in the dependence of Catania, and which has ceased to exist.

The little isles not far distant towards the north, called Æoliæ, may appositely be included in this article concerning Sicily. They were fo named from being the supposed residence of Æolus; who, according to the fable, there retained the winds imprisoned in their caverns, and released them at his pleasure. They were also called *Vulcania*, because they had volcanos; and are now named Lipari, from Lipara, the principal of them. This is also the place to mention Melite; and Gaulos, or Gozo, which accompanies it. The towns placed now so advantageously on the ports of Malta, are neither of them the ancient city of the island; whose position was in a place interiour, and named Rebatto, from a term which the domination of the Arabs of Barbary in this island brought into use.

Two islands remain to be described: Corsica, which by its promontory far projected towards the north, named Sacrum, now Cabo Corfo, being the nearest to the continent of Italy, precedes Sardinia. The Greeks named it Cyrnos; and they pretend that the Phocians were the first who made any settlement in it. But the insular nation was of Ligurian race; and they are described of a savage character, such as is natural to the inhabitants of a country rugged and of difficult access. The Corsicans had experienced the tyranny of the Carthaginians before the Romans undertook to subject them. This isle received two colonies; Mariana from Marius, and Aleria from Sylla. Vestiges of them are observed on the eastern shore; and it is thought that the modern city of Bastia has replaced the Mantinorum Oppidum. The name of Palania is preferved in the canton called La Balagna; and the Casalus Sinus appears to correspond with the inlet of Calvi. The Greeks called Traphos, or the Trench, the channel which separates Corsica from Sardinia.

The Greeks assimilating the island of Sardinia to the print of a foot, called it Ichnusa\*; and

<sup>\*</sup> From 1700, vestigium, a footstep.

they speak as well of the fertility of the soil, as of the insalubrity of the atmosphere. A part of the country is covered with mountains; and those of the northern end are so rugged and inaccessible, that they were called Insani Montes, or the frantic mountains. The most considerable of its rivers, and named Thyrsus, flowing from the north to the fouth, falls into the sea at the modern city of Oristagni; and the name of this city now serves to denote it. According to tradition, a colony of Africans first established themselves in Sardinia, under a chief whose name, Sardus, they communicated to the island. There were also known colonies of Iberians, or Spaniards; from whom were long distinguished the Trojans, under the name of Ilians; from Ilium, their ancient country. The Carthaginians too had founded the cities of Calaris and of Sulci; the first of which, preserving its name in that of Cagliari, has become the capital of the island: and the vestiges of the second are found on the strait which separates the main land of Sardinia from a little isle named Sant Antioco. The name of Neapolis is preserved at the bottom of the bay of Oristagni. We recognize Lesa in Alés, and the Forum Trajani in Fordongiano. Bosa, a maritime town, has not changed its name; neither

has Nora, or Nura, in the mountainous region. The position of Turris Libisonis is indicated by Porto-di-Torro, on the northern shore. This city was Roman; and its environs retained the name of Romangia, till the time when the Arabs of Barbary invaded the island. They have superseded it with the name of Barbaria, which has extended over all this canton of Sardinia. Tibula, at the summit of the island occupied by Corsicans, agrees in position with a port named Longo-Sardo. Olbia, a Greek city, and one of the most ancient, having a port which regards Italy, and the nearest to it of any other, ought to be about the place where now exists Terra-Nova. Finally, we remark that of the name Luguido appears formed that of Lugodori, which distinguishes the northern canton of Sardinia.



#### VII.

# GRECIA.

O judge of the extent of Greece by the power which enabled its states to arm against each other, or united, to sustain the attacks of formidable foreign enemies, would be to form an idea of a great country. A more intimate acquaintance with it, however, will undeceive us in this point. For we shall see that Greece, properly so called, scarcely contains more space than the kingdom of Naples occupies in the continent of Italy. And the island of Sicily alone is deemed equal to the Peloponnesus, considered exclusively of Greece Proper; although in it there are enumerated fix distinct provinces. The circumstance that contributes among others to the glory of Greece, is well known to be that, though

though reduced by the Roman arms, she triumphed in Rome by establishing the arts which in this mistress of the world were unknown\*.

The Greeks gave themselves the name of Helenes; and that of Hellines is still known to the Turks in speaking of the Greeks. But that which they called Hellas did not extend over all that is comprehended under the name of Greece; for it excluded Macedon, and the greatest part of Epyrus. There is mention made of a primitive people under the name of Pelasgi, in a state of fociety little better than that of nations which we consider as savages. Three principal races are then distinguished; Iones, Dores, and Æoles. Attica was the original feat of the Ionians, who in the Peloponnesus occupied Achaia. The Dorians, migrating from the environs of Parnassus, became powerful in Peloponnesus: and the Etolians inhabited Thessaly, when foreigners came from Egypt and Phœnicia to civilize the first inhabitants of Greece. But, after having remarked a relative distinction in the extent of the name of Greece, it becomes us to signify here, that it is in its most comprehensive space

<sup>\*</sup> Græcia capta serum victorem cepit, et artes Intulit agresti Latio. Hor.

that we propose to treat it. Returning to the frontier of Illyricum, thence to take our departure, we shall include Macedon in its greatest extent, towards Epyrus on the one side, and towards Thrace on the other; and of this part which occupies the north, we shall make a division preceding the others, under the name of Macedonia. Thessaly, with Epirus, and divers particular countries which follow to the Ishmus, will constitute the division which shall be entitled Gracia; a third follows named Peloponnesus. The Adriatic and Ionian Seas embrace one side of Greece, the Egean the other. Creta, with the Cyclades, will require a separate section.

### MACEDONIA.

Illyrian people occupied by a continuity of extent the neighbouring country of the Adriatic Sea to the confines of Epirus, before this country was attributed to Macedon by the Romans, and after it had made a particular province under the name of Epirus Nova, or the New Epirus. Among other rivers are here distinguished Drilo, which is \* Drino;

<sup>\*</sup> Called Drin-noir in the original.

Mathis, or Mattia; Genusus, called Semno; Apsus, which has taken the name of Crevasta; Aous, or Lao; and Celydmus, Salnich, otherwise Voiussa. The mountains that were called Candavii, on the way which conducted through the interior of Macedon, are now named Crasta. As to the names of particular people, Parthini, Taulantii, and others, actual observation offers nothing that answers to them. We know that the name of Albania extended to this country, and an Albanopolis, which Ptolemy gives, appears to exist in a city whose name is Albasano. The principal city on the coast, and a place of the greatest resort, was a colony of Corcyra, under the name of Epi-damnus\*; but which, having changed its name to Dyrrachium, for the evil omen that the signification of it indicated, is now called Durazzo. Receding towards the fouth, to the neighbourhood of the river Aous, Apollonia, at some distance from the sea, distinguished itself by the cultivation of Greek literature; and we recognize the vestiges of this city in its mutilated name of Polina. On a gulf which penetrates deeply into the land, the name of Aulon

From ET prope, and danan, affligo.

is now pronounced Valona; and the fortress raised upon an adjacent mountain preserves in the name of Canina that of Chaonia, which was adjacent, and comprised in Epirus. Oricum had a port at the bottom of this gulf. Advancing in the country, we find the city of Elyma, which appears to have communicated its name to the territory of Elymiotis, penetrating into Macedon Proper. This city may be that which in the Slavonian language is called Arnaut Beli-grad, or the city of the White Albanoise. Scampis, on a great Roman way, shews itself under the name of Iscampi. But a principal city of the interior country, and attributed to the Dassaretti, was Lychnidus, near to a lake from which the Drino derives its course. The Bulgarians, who composed a great state, more than an age after the reign of Justinian, or in the eighth of the Christian æra, took Lychnidus for their capital, changing its name to Achrida, which still subsists. This city is erroneously thought to be Justiniana Prima, of which there shall be mention in speaking of Dardania. Dibra, which is lower down the Drino, indicates Deborus; and the map will give some other positions, which an expedition of Perseus, the last king of Macedon, into this

part of Illyricum has rendered worthy to be known.

MACEDON, in its more ancient state, was bounded on the west by the country whereof we have just spoken, and confined on the side of the east by Thrace; by which it was even contracted before the borders of the river Strymon were comprised in it. It had Dardania on the north, and was bounded on the fouth by Thessaly. But in the interior of a country so renowned there is still wanting much of the actual intelligence from which ancient geography derives its most important illustration. The most considerable of its rivers, however, Axius, now Vardari, issuing from Mount Scardus, in Dardania, and receiving in its course the greatest number of streams of the country, falls into the Sinus Thermiacus, or the Gulph of Thessalonica, after having communicated by a canal with the Erigon, which is also augmented by the Astraus, or Vistriza. On the confines of Thessaly Haliacmen discharges itself into the same gulf, near to a place which, bearing heretofore the same name with the river, is now known under that of Platamona. The Strymon, taking its fource in-what is called Despoto-dag, or the Mountain of the Prince,

is received into the gulf, which, from its name, was called Strymonicus Sinus. The mounts Scardus and Orbelus, of Dardania, which are called Monte Argentaro, cover the country by which Macedon is terminated towards the north.

This northern part bore the name of Paonia, and divers nations comprised under this name extended to the frontiers of Thrace. The name of Pelagonia sometimes supplied the place of it, and penetrating into the interior of Macedon, had Stobi for the principal city. And when Macedon was formed into two provinces, this was the metropolis of one of them; that of the other was called Salutaris. The situation of a particular canton towards the beginning of the Erigon, named Deuriopus, is more certainly determined than many others by this circumstance. The position of a city of the name of Heraclea is given by its situation on a Roman way leading from Lychnidus to Thessalonica; and this city indicates the canton of Lyncestis, since we know it to have been included therein. That of Eordaa appears to have been contiguous, towards the Illyrian country. The most distinguished country of Macedon, and most adorned with cities,

cities, was Emathia. Edessa, otherwise called Æge, or the city of the Goat, was the royal city before Pella; and it still retains the first of these names, as well as that of Moglena, the name of the country in its environs. Pella, which had taken rank of Edessa, was advantageously situated on a lake, which communicated with the fea by a river called Ludias, holding a parallel course with the Vardari. Two lakes are observed in this canton, one of which, named Ostrovo, is mentioned in a time posterior to antiquity, as being commanded by a castle named Bodena, seated on a rock; and it is faid that the ruins of Pella are called Palatisa, or the Little Palace. Beraa, another considerable city, subsists under the name of Cara-Veria, or the Black Berea. We find in the interior country the city of Celethrum, which a lake incloses; and this situation accords with that described under the Greek emperors by the name of Castoria. On the western side of the Thermaic Gulf, in a district called Pieria, where the Romans finished the conquest of the kingdom of Macedon, Pydna, which was otherwise named Citron, subsists in Kitro. The last city on this shore is Dium, known at present by the name of Stan-Dia; in which a

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preposition of place precedes the proper name, according to the usage which in latter times had become prevalent in this part of the Roman empire.

East of the Axius lies Mygdonia, one of the most extensive countries of Macedon, and which was conquered, with a great part from Thrace, by the predecessors of Alexander. Thessalonica, which under the Romans became the capital of Macedon, was called Therma before Cassander gave it the name of his wife, the sister of Alexander; and it still flourishes under the name of Saloniki. Towards the north of Mygdonia may be named Idomene, and Eropus ad Axium. Then descending south, we meet with Anthemus and Apollonia; which last, as well as the city of the same name in Epirus, is called Polina: and declining still towards the sea we find Chalcis. The foundation of Ænia, on a gulf below the Thessalonic, is attributed to Æneas. Potidaa, situated on an isthmus, defended the entrance of a peninsula named Pallene. This city had been renewed under the name of Cassandria; and it is remarkable, that the opening of the isthmus is still called the Gates of Cassander. The point of the peninsula is called Pillouri, and also Canouistro, by depravation

vation of the name Canafiraum, which heretofore dittinguished the promontory from the peninsula. This cape separated the Thermaicus Sinus from that which the city of Torone, or Toron, on the right in entering, caused to be called Toronaicus. Osvnthus is remarked at the bottom of this gulf; and near the position ascribed to it is a modern place named Agiomama. A gulf which a fecond peninfula feparates from the Toronaic, and which was called Singiticus, washes one of the flanks of the famous Mont Athos, and the Strimonicus Sinus the other. This mountain, which, from its monaîteries, is now called Agios-Oros, or Monte-Santo, is only connected with the continent by a low and narrow tongue of land, which was easily opened by Xerxes, to afford a passage to his fleet, as reported in history. Stagyra, whose maritime situation corresponds with that of Stauros, must also be mentioned as famous for having produced Aristotle.

Amphipolis, situated at the angle which the two mouths of the Strymon forms, was so named by the Athenians, to express an ambiguous position between Macedon and Thrace. The place was named Novem Viæ, or the Nine Ways; and the name of Amphipolis is now lambolis.

Iamboli. Near a river called Pontus was the city of Heraclea, which, from the canton where it was situated, was surnamed Sintica; and this river, at the issue of a lake named Carcinitis (adjacent to which is a place called Marmara), falls into the Strymon, near the division of its stream. Advancing towards the frontier, and a little above the sea, we find the ruins of Philippi, which owed its name to Philip, the father of Alexander, and whose plains were the scene of a battle fatal to Brutus and Cassius. The name of Drame is sometimes erroneously transferred to these ruins from a place in the same canton, called heretofore Drabescus. In an advantageous situation for maritime commerce was the emporium \* Neapolis, now Cavale. Two precipices of Mont Pangæus, which is a

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<sup>\*</sup> The term is *Echelle*, or ladder, in the original, which the French apply peculiarly to the ports in the Levant, and which is faid by the translator of the B. De Tott's Memoirs to be formed of the Turkish word *Iskélé*, a fort of pier built on piles, with steps, to facilitate the landing and embarkation of merchandize. But as the Turks seldom construct any thing either for utility or ornament, it seems more probable that they gave this name, corrupted from the Latin *Scala* or *Gradus*, to moles or piers which they found already made in Asia Minor, Syria, and Greece, when they conquered these countries.

branch detached from Rhodope, approach so near to the sea as to form narrow desiles on its beach, the passages of which were closed and desended by walls; and these brows of the mountain are now called Castagnas. Opposite to a point directly under the farthest of these Castagnas, the isle called Thasus, which still retains the name of Thapso, is only separated from the continent by a narrow channel. This island, rendered samous by its marbles, is thought to have been first settled by the Phænicians.

## GRÆCIA.

Under this title we comprehend all that which, fouth of the former part, is included between the Ionian Sea and the Gulf of Corinth on the one side, and the Egean Sea on the other. Epirus and Thessalia sill the northern part of this space; and, looking from west to east, Epirus precedes Thessaly. The shore of Epirus commences at a point named Acro-ceraunia, directly opposite to the heel of Italy, and terminated by mountains which, by reason of their precipitate elevation, are obnexious to thunder-bolts, and thence called Acro-ceraunia Montes. This point is named

<sup>\*</sup> From # pre summus, and repairs; fulmen.

Linguetta by the Italians, and Glossa by the Greeks. The canton situated in these mountains, and along the sea, was named Chaonia; and the name Chimera, which was that of a maritime place of Chaonia, is now applied to the whole country. Thesprotia follows, and is one of the principal parts of Epirus, extending to the entrance of the Gulf of Ambracia. Buthrotum is there distinguished more than any other place, and still subsists under the name of Butrinto. Corcyra is separated by a very narrow channel from the continent of Epirus, opposite to Thesprotia. This is the isle of the Pheacians, in Homer. The city of the same name with the isle, and which received a colony of Corinthians, who became powerful, did not occupy precisely the site which is given to the modern city, but was confined to a peninfula, which they call Chersopoli; and the present name Corfou, derived from a Greek term signifying an elevation, has no relation to the ancient. The interior of Epirus is little known. We know, however, that a river named Acheron falls into the Glykyslimen\*, or tranquil Port; on which is a place preserving

<sup>\*</sup> From paraus dulcis, and appear portus.

the name in Glykeon. Dodone, celebrated for being the feat of the most ancient oracle of Greece, was sequestered in the interior country. Molossis, the country of the Molosses, a prevailing nation in Epirus, extended along the Ambracius Sinus, which received its name from Ambracia, the royal city of Pyrrhus and his race. This city was on a river named Arethon, which has given the name of Arta to a city situated a little above the site of the ancient Ambracia; and Arta, having become the capital of the country, has communicated its name to the gulf. The camp which the victor occupied at Actium became the site of a city under the name of Nicopolis \*; the privileges of which caused the decline of Ambracia. Its position is known in that of Prevesa-Veccheia. Pindus separates the interior of Epirus from Thessaly; and among many particular countries on the declivity of this great mountain, Athamania appears to have been the most considerable.

Thessaly is bounded on three sides by mountains; towards the north by Olympus, which runs along the sea-coast to Mount Stymphe; on the west by Pindus, and on the south by Oeta.

<sup>\*</sup> From nus; victoria, and modus civitas.

The Peneus traverses the country from west to east, to discharge itself into the Thermaic Gulf, after having received a great number of rivers; of which the most considerable appears to be Apidanus, on the right shore, and now called Salampria. The different countries which divide Thessaly are Estiatis and Pelasgiotis, in the neighbourhood of the Peneus; the one towards its fource, and the other on its stream below; Thessaliotis more southward, and Phthiotis too approaching the sea withal. The nation of Perrhabi gives the name of Perrhæbia to the country adjacent to the mountains north of Thessaly. Dolopia is detached towards the confines of that which we shall see in the sequel belonging to Etolia.

We have very little actual knowledge of this country; and our ignorance we are fain with reluctance to repeat in speaking of Greece. La-rissa, the domain of Achilles, was the most considerable of the Thessalian cities, and it still subsists in the same position, without any alteration in its name. It is after having left this city on its right, that the Peneus, inclosed between Olympus and Ossa, in a narrow and rapid course, is discharged into the sea by a mouth called Lycastomo, or the Wolf's Mouth; and

the whole length of this passage, through wild and picturesque-scenes, is the famous valley of Tempe. To enter upon a detail of some particular places, Gomphi and Tricca are distinguished towards the fountains of the Peneus: the last of these cities is known under the name of Tricala; and we recognize the name of Olcoffon in Alessone. Azzrus was the principal city of Pelagonia, surnamed Tripolitis, or the Three Cities, towards the frontier of Macedon, as the expedition of a Roman commander against Perseus has shewn. Ioannia is still a considerable city, but does not give the name of Ianna to Theffaly, as books and maps erroneously report. Thestaly appears to owe its modern name to that of the river Ion, flowing into the Peneus. Passing south of the Peneus, we find Pharsalus on the river Enipeus, which the Apidanus receives. This place, which a fignal and decisive battle has rendered ever memorable, preserves in the maps the name of Farsa. Beyond Phera, and at the bottom of the gulf named Pelasgicus, and now Volo, was the city of Demetrias, which owed its foundation and name to Demetrius Poliorcetes: and this was deemed by Philip one of the proper posts to impose chains on Greece. On the side of this gulf the city by the surname of Phthiotica. The entrance of the gulf had a port from which it is pretended that the ship Argo took her departure; and its name of Apheta preserves some traces in that of Fetio. Magnesia, without the gulf near the promontory of Sepias, where the fleet of Xerxes suffered from tempests, has communicated its name to a canton of this country. Opposite are ranged many isles south of the Thermaic Gulf: the principal of these are Sciathus, Scopelus, Halonnesus, and Peparethus; of which the two sirst preserve their names.

But, returning to the interior country, we shall mention a city seated on an elevation that immediately commanded the plains of Thessaly. It was called Thaumaci\*, from the sentiment of admiration wherewith the spectator was impressed on contemplating from it a delightful and luxuriant prospect, after having been among gorges and precipices, which must be passed to enter Thessaly on the side of Phocis. Lamia is remarkable for having given the title to a war which the Greeks maintained with Macedon after the death of Alexander. The Sperchius

<sup>\*</sup> From Oavuasis, admirabilis.

from the remotest part of Mount Octa, and having passed Hypata, whose women were reputed skilled in magic, falls into the Sinus Maliacus, which succeeds to the Pelasgicus. Further on, and upon the southern side of the gulf, begin the famous desiles of Thermopylæ. In a little plain among the mountains was placed a city named Trachys, or the Rugged. It is also called Heracles Trachnia, from Hercules, who is said to have been thrown upon his funeral pile on the summit of Mount Octa, which is not far distant. This position is now occupied by a city which has communicated its name of Zeiton to the Maliac Gulf.

Having thus terminated Thessaly, we must return towards the Ionian Sea. That which was called Acarnania, and whose name is not entirely lost in that of Carnia, was separated from Epirus by the Sinus Ambracius. This country extended along the strand of the sea to the mouth of the river Achelous; the course of which made the separation of Acarnania and Etolia. This river, which descends from Mount Pindus, is now named Aspro Potamo, or the White River; and we are informed that there issues from it a derivation,

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which is believed to run into the gulf of Arta, or Ambracia. But its main stream falls into the sea opposite the Echinades, little low flat isles which are almost joined to the continent by continued alluvions of the river: and apart from these are other little pointed isles named Oxia, now called Curzolari. Anastorium was the first place in entering the gulf; preceding even the position of Actium, whose ruins are distinguished by the name of Azio. And it was in a basin, contracted by two corresponding points, and anterior to the more capacious bay, that the famous naval combat was exhibited which decided the empire of the world. Argos, surnamed Amphilochum, gives still to the canton where this city existed the name of Filoquia. Stratus is spoken of as a strong place in Arcanania, at which we arrive by ascending the Achelous; and the city of Oeniadæ was placed near the entrance of this river. But, to describe the rest of Arcanania, we must depart the continent. Leucadia, which preserves the fame name, bearing also that of Neritus, was previously a peninsula, but has been insulated by art, in dividing a low and narrow beach, by which this portion of land was prolonged from the main. The city of Leucas, which gives it the

the name, is not in the same position with that of a Venetian place named Saint-Maure. Cephallenia, or, according to the modern orthography, Cefalonia, being a situation more immediate to Leucadia than any other we have to mention, should find a place here. In the interior country, a city of the same name with the isle has changed this name for Borgo; and near the eastern shore we find a position called Same, which also appears to have been a name for the entire island. A channel of the sea separates this shore from another isle called the Little Cefalonia; but which, in its proper name of Theaki, appears to represent that of Ithaca: and it would appear abfurd to confine the name of Ithaca to a holme that lies before Theaki, fince that bears the name of Iotaco. And we fee in Homer that Ulysses commanded the Cephallenians, without whom his domain would have been extremely contracted.

Etolia succeeds to Arcanania, and from the margin of the sea penetrates to the mountains on the confines of Thessaly, where the Valaques, who were transported thither by the Greek emperors, still inhabit; whence this canton has taken the name Vlakia. The Etolians are seen playing a distinguished part under

the last kings of Macedon, till compelled to yield to the irresistible fortune of the Roman arms. The river Evenus, which traverses this country through the whole length of its course, is now called Fidari. Calydon is seated towards the lower part of it: but the principal city of Etolia was in the interior country, and named Thermus; and which an expedition of Philip, son of Demetrius, has made known, together with some other local circumstances of the same canton.

Entering Phocis, we must speak of the Locri, furnamed Ozolæ, or Ill-savoured, according to the fable which reports that the arrows of Hercules, dipped in the blood of the Hydra of Lerna, and being there buried by Philoctetes, exhaled a mephitic odour. They were also distinguished by the surname of Hesperii, or Western, from those who inhabited the east of Phocis, opposite Eubæa. Naupastus, which we call Lepanto by a strange depravation of the name Enebect, formed by the Greeks of that of Naupact, is the principal city of Locris. It is to be remarked that, according to antiquity, the Sinus Corinthiacus commences on the coast of Etolia, from the mouth of the Achelous; and before it is much contracted by two

points, Rhium and Anti-Rhium, which, being fortified with cailles, have acquired the name of the Dardanelles of Lepanto; the name of Lepanto being also communicated to the gulf. And it was also in this anterior part of the Corinthiac gulf, and not under Lepanto, which is beyond the strait, that the Christian and Ottoman fleets contended in the year 1571. On the frontiers of Phocis, Amphissa, which has taken the name of Salona, belongs also to the Locrians. Phocis offers nothing more celebrated than Delphi and Parnassus Mons, which covers this city towards the north. Delphos is now a small place named Castri; and the most elevated point of Mount Parnassus is called Heliocoro. Crissa, to the fouth of Delphos, gave the name of Crissaus Sinus to the part of the Corinthiac gulf which is now called the Gulf of Salona. Anticyra, on the isthmus of a peninsula, has taken the name of Aspro-Spitia The little mountainous country of Doris gives birth to the river Cephissus; and near to its course Elatia, the greatest city in Phocis, exists only in a very small place called Turco-chorio The Locri, whom the city of Opûs had surnamed Opuntii, and those who from Moun Cnemis were called Epi-Cnemidii, bordered oi

the sea which separated this part of the continent from Eubæa. The samous strait of Thermopylæ, where, between Mount Oeta and the sea there is only passage for a single sile of waggons, belonged to the Epi-Cnemides. Thermes, or warm baths, in this passage, with the addition of the Greek appellative for gates, caused it to be so called. And it was here that a handful of Lacedemonians undertook to stop the entrance of the army of Xerxes into Greece.

Beotia, succeeding to Phocis, extends along the sea opposite Eubæa; and, touching on the other side the Corinthiac gulf, is bounded by Attica on the fouth. The land here being rich and fertile, and the air more thick than in Attica, of which the soil is dry and sterile, is thought to have made the fancied difference in the minds and genius of the natives of these two countries. The Cephissus falls into a spacious lake named Copais; the redundancy of whose waters passing under a mountain, communicates, by numerous rivulets, with the sea. In the interior country Thebæ, which owed its foundation to Cadmus the Phenician, and from whom the citadel of this city was called Cadmea, retains some vestiges under the name of Thiva.

Destroyed by Alexander, who spared only the house of Pindar, it rose again from its ruins. Lebadea, distinguished by the oracle of Trophonius in a cavern where he was precipitated, appears to be the capital city; whence it comes that the country bears, improperly, the name of Livadia in the maps. Cheronæa is found, as well as the preceding city, in the most northern part of Beotia, towards Phocis. Cheronæa is rendered famous by a victory of Philip, father of Alexander, over the Greeks, and for one of Sylla over the generals of Mithridates, and still more for having given birth to Plutarch. Orchomenus was reputed so opulent in the earliest times, that its riches became proverbial. Hæliartus, on the side of lake Copais, was destroyed by the Romans in the first Macedonian war. The ridge formed by Helicon, now called Zagaro-vouni, covers the city of Thespiæ on the north; and at the bottom of the Corinthiac gulf we may cite Leuctra, not far distant, as a place which the victory of Epaminondas over the Lacedemonians has illustrated. Platæa, whose name recals to memory the defeat of the Persians commanded by Mardonius, is separated from Eleutheræ by Mount Cytheron. The Asopus, which traverses the plain terminated

nated by mount Parnes, separating Beotia from Attica, meets the sea below Tanagara. Aulis was the rendezvous of the Grecian army embarking for the Trojan expedition. There are distinguished two of these havens, Megalo and Micro-Vathi, the great and little port; as the Aulis of Beotia and that of Euripus; of which last we shall speak in treating of Eubæa.

The name of Attica is derived from the Greek term Actèe, denoting a shore, or beech; and Attica justifies this etymology of its name, by having two sides embraced by the sea. We shallextend it to the isthmus, comprising therein Megaris, which nevertheless pretended to the separate dignity of an independent state. Athenæ, whose glory is well known on the subject of the fine arts, which from her bosom were diffused through all the nations where they are best cultivated, preserves its name under the form of Atheni; and it is by depravation, and by prefixing the preposition of place, that Athens is called Sètines by the uninformed. This city, though situated at some distance from the sea, had nevertheless three ports; the principal of which, although the most distant, named Piraus, now Porto-Leone, had a communication with the city by means of two walls

walls forty stadia in length. Munychia and Phalerus were the two other ports. Among the mountains of Attica, Hymettus and Pentelicus, near to Athens, are the most known; that for the honey which it afforded, and this for its marble. We know how much the mysteries of Ceres distinguished Eleusis, the name of which is now pronounced Lessina. The isle of Salamis, which takes the name of Colouri from a place that it contains, leaves but narrow passages to the cove which the sea forms before this city. Near the opposite shore, Marathon preserves the same name, which a victory of the Athenians over the Persians has rendered immortal. Among the events of the Peloponnesian war, there is a particular circumstance which may create a curiofity concerning the position of Decelia, on the route from Athens to Chalcis in Eubæa. Attica, extremely contracted between two seas, terminates at the promontory of Sunium; where the columns still standing of a temple of Minerva have caused it to be called Cabo Colonni. It is separated towards the east, by a narrow channel, from an island named, by reason of its length, Macris, otherwise Helena, and which preserves the name of Macro-nisi. But we must not

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leave Attica without speaking of Megara: its district called Megaris, separated from Eleusis by the brow of a mountain, is extended towards the isthmus. The city retains its name, a little distant from the shore, where it had a port named Nysaa.

Eubæa is comprised in our present division, as covering Beotia and Attica; and only separated by a channel, so narrow in one place as to permit it to be connected with the continent by a bridge. Chalcis was the principal city of this great island, and one of the three that, in the judgment of the king of Macedon, would enable their possessor to enslave Greece. This city derives its present name of Egripo, or Egrivo (as the modern Greeks pronounce it), from the Euripus, or the strait on which it is feated; and where, under the arches of the bridge above mentioned, the sea makes a fluctuation as regular as extraordinary . From this name of Egripo mariners have through ignorance formed that of Negropont, which disgraces in some measure the charts wherein it appears. Eretria was the second city in Eu-

<sup>\*</sup> Hence the name of Euripus; compounded of iv, bene, and

bæa, at a short distance from Chalcis, on the same shore: and a place which the Greeks now call Gravalinais, appears to correspond with its position. Towards the north, and opposite the entrance of the Pelasgic gulf, Oreus, otherwise Istica, from a primitive name, was a place of consideration, and still subsists in the name of Orio. Edepsus is also recognized in the name of Dipso. At the southern extremity of Eubæa, Carystus, whose marble was esteemed, retains the name of Caristo. The authors of antiquity describe the Caphareum Promontorium, at the same height on the Ægean Sea, as a place of perilous navigation.

### PELOPONNESUS.

The Peloponnesus owes its name to Pelops, son of Tantalus, king of Phrygia; with the addition of a Greek term, which would intimate that the country was an island, although it adheres to the continent by an isthmus. From the line of its coast being serrated by number-less inlets, and more deeply indented by many gulfs, it has been assimilated to a leaf; and from that of the mulberry it has acquired the

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name of Morea\*. Six several countries compose the Peloponnesus-Achaia, Argolis, Laconia, Messenia, Elis, arranged successively on the sea in the circumference of the country; and Arcadia, which occupies its center. A detail of rivers and mountains is reserved for a particular description of these states: two principal rivers however, the Alpheus and Eurotas, may be described before entering upon the detail, as relating to the whole subject. The first of these has its source in Arcadia, on the confines of Laconia; and quits Arcadia to traverse Elis. The second is included in the extent of Laconia; and has taken the name of Vasilipotamo, or the Royal River. Concerning the gulfs that environ the Peloponnesus, it may be said that the northern part is bounded by the Sinus Corinthiacus; the Saronicus opens between Argolis and Attica; Argolicus succeeds it, between Argolis and Laconia; and, finally, the Laconicus and Messeniacus, separated by a great promontory, penetrate the fouthern and western part. Achaia is a margin of land which, along the Corinthiac gulph, occupies the northern side of the Peloponnesus from the

<sup>\*</sup> The Italian name for a mulberry.